e eight pence

Herr Schmidt thought ic allayed a lot of fears. The dramatic question of past weeks —would Britain stay in or get

Both Mr Wilson and Mr Cal-laghan, the Foreign Secretary, had been calm and cooperative

in the discussions, according to

German suurces. The German

aim of a strengtheniug of the Community's institutions had

Britain proved much more

furthcoming yesterday than its

stand in receot weeks had led its partners to expect, on the issues both of majority voting and of direct elections to the

On the first, Britain was satisfied by the reaffirmation of the validity of the Luxembourg compromise of 1966 which safe-

guards a member country's vital

want to stand in the way of agreement by its partners to

make direct elections operative by 1980, merely recording its position that it could not be committed on this point until

renegotiation was completed.

The agreement of beads of

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government oo European re-giooal aid, first decided in priociple two years ago at the previous Paris summit; is a sub-

stantial step forward.

heen largely achieved.

European Parliament.

Mr Wilson wins compromise agreement after clash with French

lers of the European Economic Community but details were delayed by a translation diffis last night on the vexed question of Britain's ribution to the Community budget. A comnise formula was achieved shortly after 8 pm, renegotiate EEC membership terms.

hed agreement at their summit meeting in culty. Earlier in the day, Britain and France clashed sharply on the question, which constitutes an important part of Labour's efforts to

Harsh words over differences on budget

be end of the second day Paris summit, the beads trament and their fureign rs were making a detereffort tu hammer out a mise formula for the g of the British contribudie Community budget

dent Giscard d'Estaing ed that there was a prob-i that it was at the heart British demand fur re-tion of membership membership Rather than acknowledge are of the conference un int, he was prepared to origioal timetable tu roduce agreement. Elysée spokesman an-

.1 at 8.30 pm that this ent had been reached in e. but that there were fficulties in translation glish of the passage of omuoiqué dealing with

wen if the conference fail, it has achieved over the past two days mmunity institutions, on aid, on the battle ecession and unemployd even on energy policy recorded as a worth-ractical working exer-European cooperation, it did not produce the cisions associated with lress, old-style summits

unfolding of today's pset the patteru agreed e. Instead of lasting two ie morning session on aid and British renegoev tackled the thorny of energy, while the

was muring towards some compromise between French insist-ence un a dialigne ni producers and consumers, and American insistence thacked by the other eight Community members I that the consumers should first cirordinate their position.

France, it seems, would agree the a meeting of consumer countries first-though not to joining the international energy agency—in return for the backagency—in return for the back-ing of its partners for an early tripartite conference of consumers, producers, and developing countries, un the lines suggested by M Giscard d'Estaiog at his last press conference in October.

The heads of government were also ready to accept that on this basis the French President might meet President Ford at Martinique at the end of this week as the spokesmao of the Community on energy.

Until the end of the conference Britain was casing itself in the role of the country hard to please. British sources con-tinued to speak in terms of eight against one, with France firmly isolated in its opposition to an isolated in its opposition to an acceptable formula for revision of Britain's budget cootribution.

Some delegations were at a eot on for four-and-a-as followed by a work-neon at the Elysée of moraing's discussion, when the government alone, at French President stated flatly, ev tackled the thorny that it was impossible for of energy, while the France to accept any formula repeated the seven points of ninisters worked their licking Britain's contribution in Britaio's renegoriation position brough the final 1980 to the gross domestic procedured in his Saturday igod. Mr Wilson was guoted as speech to Labour mayors.

The final session at the Quai d'Orsay did not begin until 4.20 pm, though Herr Schmidt, the West German Chaucellnr, had insisted yesterday that he wanted to be away by 5 pm.

Energy, together with Britain's budget cuotribution, proved as expected the hardest nuts fur the Nine to crack. On the first point, the conference was muring towards some community towards some community that the first point, the conference was muring towards some community. others continued to insist that this was still a hypnthetical question which would be dealt with when it arose.

> Other delegations felt that there were grounds for working uut a compromise formula at once. Buth the Italiaos and Belgians proposed formulas substantially the same, which the British said were unacceptable but went in the right direction. They involved asking the Commission to work out a practical proposal to avert situations which were unacceptable for the economic development of a member country, by involving a transfer of resources which would aggravate its balance of payments difficulties.

It was acceuted by all the Nine that this "corrective mechanism" (in the Italian wording) could not apply to that part of the Community's own resources—customs dues and farm levies, which were auto-matic. They could apply only to that portion of a country's share of the Community budget, which could properly be re-garded as a rational contribution, namely the 1 per cent of VAT turned over to it.

Acceptance of this distinction, which had not been made in Paris before, was an important contribution by President Giscard d'Estaing to the search for a compromise:

Mr · Wilson this morning

Reform of contempt law urged in report

The law of contempt of court contains uncertainties which impede and restrict reasonable freedom of speech. Lord Justice Phillimore's Committee on Contempt of Court says in a report published yesterday.

The law, the most controversial aspect of which is its restriction on press comment about pending civil and crimical court cases, "falls short of the certaiory it ought tu have", it

The law should be amended to allow as much freedoor uf speech as is consistent with maintaining the citizen's right to a fair and unimpeded system of justice and protecting the orderly administration of the

unt?—seemed to he a thing of the past, he said. It would be in the interest of the Community and of Britain to adopt a positive attitude to the budget problem, and enable Britain to stay in. But one uf the committee's recommendation, that press comment on a pending civil case should be restricted only when it has been set duwn for trial, is challenged by Mr Robin Day, a member of the committee.

In a dissenting note in which be mentious writs issued against uewspapers over laud deals in-volving some of Mr Wilsou's associates, and The Sunday Times thalidomide case, Mr Day argues that the press should be free to comment on pending civil court cases uotil nne or two weeks before the trial.

The case would then appear in a 'sub judice list" and would be subject in the law of contempt.

Mr Day emphasizes that he agrees with the committee's riew that contempt law should be strictly and clearly applied in criminal cases. "I have on wish to see imported into this country... the horror of trial by press, television and radio", he writes.

The report proposes that any conduct intended to pervert or obstruct the course of justice should be dealt with as con-tempt of court only if the proceedings have not been concluded. Normally, however, it should be dealt with as a criminal offence unless there are compelliog reasons for urgeacy. Examples of such It will benefit not only Italy, which will receive the linn's share of 40 per cent of the total of £500m, and Ireland, but also Britain, which will obtain 28 cases are attempts to bribe or

tbreaten witnesses or jurors. A publication should be liable under contempt law "only if it creates a risk that the course of justice will be seriously im-peded or prejudiced "...

No progress without political Major reforms needed, page 51 Leading article, page 17

Pound sinks to lowest level ever as confusion mounts over future of oil payments to Arabs

Melvyn Westlake

The pound fell to its lowest level ever yesterday against the world's other major currencies, amid mounting confusion over the future structure of the international oil pricing and payments system.
With the Bank of England stepping into foreign exchange

markets to support the puutd, intense eleventb-hour diplomatic activity was taking place to ensure that tomorrow's to ensure that tomorrow's night meeting in Vienoa of the rumou Organization of Petroleum over Exporting Countries will not would produce new strains on the international monetary system. Yesterday, Opec's economic cummission met unexpectedly ahead of Thursday's gathering of Arab uil ministers. After-wards, sources said that, besides proposals for a new pricing system, the agenda would include the European summit rall for a world con-

ference of the main oil produc-ing and consuming nations. The attitudes of both Iran and Sandi Arabia are vital influences on the new influences on the new year. Since Suoday, one of irritation rather than alarm at this deterioration, stemming from the Aramcu rumours, which have not been removed. The phasing out of the phasing out o

the full nationalization of the Aranicu uil consortium in Aramou uil consortium in ing receipts in London.

Note to conceotrate on the vients meeting. The Shaikh said he would be seeking to reduce the iopact of oil prices, with the objective of a cut.

There are suggestions that Kuwait would also prefer to receive payment for oil bills in dullars, but the situation is unlikely to be clarified until meet-

terday appeared to be directly related to the nationalization talks. The pound slumped over-night in New York after runours that, under the take-uver propusals, the pound would no longer be used along-side the dollar for making oil payments. Other Arab coupayments. Other Arab conotries are clusely following the Aranica negotiations, as they will set the pace for their future schemes to amend present participation deals.

At the end of truding last night, rhe pound stood at \$2,3240 to shorr a fall of 1.15 cents. The pound's "effective depreciation" rate against 10 key currencies (since December, 1971) worsened from 20.6 to 21 per cent—the

need for full cooperation in confirmed. The phasing out of "recycling" surplus revenues sterking as a currency for oil back to industrialized countries settlements has been in affected by the fivefold rise in progress for some months, and prices in the past 12 Whitehall advisers see no reason for this movement Last night, Saudi Arabian oil reduce the steady ioflow negotiators, led by Shaikh Arab money into Lundon.

called "the inertia effect the outomatic placing of sterl-

The sudden deterioration in likely to be clarified until the sterling exchange rate yesterday appeared to be directly ing when methods for a single crude pricing system to rep-lace the present diverse arran-gements, with notional posted prices, are to be thrashed out.

One of the immediate causes

of the decline in sterling has been the sale of correctly by une or more American oil com-panies, who, it is being sug-gested, had earlier purchased pounds for forward settlements, but revised the require-

ment to dollars.

Heads of Exxon, Texaco.

Mobil Cil, and Standard Oil of California, attended yesierday's London talks on the nationalization of their consortium, Arameo, It was said after the aujournment that there was no impasse and a lot of detailed work needed to be done before an agreement could be con-cluded.

Last night Mr Cliftnn C. Garrin, the president of Exxon, said that he was unaware of any request hy Saudi Arabia that all its future uil receipts should be made in dollars rather than a mixture of sterling and dollars. Mr Garvin told Reuters: " | can houestly say f am not aware of any such Saudi demand."

Miners to press for £30 a week more

By Paul Ruutledge

By Paul Runneus-Labour Editor
On the casting vote of Mr
Michael McGahey, the union's
rice-president,
vesterday miners' leaders yesterday turned their backs on the social cootract and opted for a pay claim that would cost industry at least £400m.

That withering snub to the TUC was delivered by the negotiating team of the National Uoioo of Mineworkers a. few bours after they had been asked by senior members of the TUC Geoeral Council to abide by its guidelines on wage restraiot. With two leading moderates

absent through illoess, Mr Gormley, the oational presi-dent and Mr Len Clarke, Not-tiogbamsbire area president, the miners' negotiating com-mittee tied 6—6 on a wages re-solution from the militant Scottish area which called for Scottish area, which called for immediate consolidation of threshold mooey into basic. rates and an interim rise of £12.50 a week for all 270,000 miners, backdated to November 1, to be followed by a further £13.10 a week in three months. £13.10 a week in three months. that would give all pitmen £30 a week more, and cost the industry between £400m and £500m a year, leading to coal price increases of about a third. Mr McGahey, who is president of the Scottish area and the left's chief strategist on the NUM executive, broke the voting deadlock by using his cast ing vote in favour of his own area's militant posture. The claim has still to be endorsed

by the national executive tomorrow and the moderate camp will strive to revert to a demand for unspecified "substan-tial" increases. Their chances of success were rated last night

as not good. The miners' militant stand is likely tu be the subject uf anxious debate at today's meeting of the TUC Economic Committee, whose senior members vesterday morning met the miners' necotiators, asked about the industry's wages situation and remioded the the social contract to observe

pay restraint. The parlous state of the sec al cuntract was tunderlined yester-day when leaders of the General Minicipal Workers, the 860,000-member union most loyal to the Government felt it necessary to remind their nego-tiators that they should ask for no more than the TUC formula to maintaio the value of pay packets at their present level.
The GMWU executive expressed coucern over forecasts

of unemployment and inflation next year, and ordered a detailed report on the prospects for industries where the union has members. In the meantime, Mr David Busoett, its geoeral secretary, will seed a circular to negotiators reasserting that negotiations should be based on the social contract. Officials will be advised that the emphasis must be on maintaioing earnings and jobs during 1975, rather than winning spectacular money settlements.

BBC to cut services by tenth in new year

By a Staff Reporter Chis in television and radio programmes early next year which will save the BBC film a year were announced yesterday. The BBC, facing a £20m deficit in March, says bigger economics will follow if uncertainty over he licence fec continues.

the licence fee continues.

The measures are:
Television: Both chanoels cluse at 11.30 pm Sooday to Thursday.
BBC1: Afternoon programmes between 2 pm and 4 pm texcluding schools! abolished, Monday to Friday. BBC2: Afterooop programmes abolished on Saturdays in suomer and Suodays in winter.
Radio: Radio 1 amalgamated with Radio 2 from 2 pm to 5 pm, Monday to Friday, and from 10 pm to midnight every night. Radio 2 start deferred to 6 aut. Monday to midalght every night. Radio 2 start deferred to 6 ant. Monday to Saturday; close-down advaced to 12.30 am throughout the week. Radio 3 to close at 11.30 each night. Radio 4 to amalgamate with Radio 3 from 12.05 pm to 12.55 pm and 2 pm to 4 pm on Saturdays.

The cuts, of about a tenth, will reduce overtime payments.

will reduce uvertime payments.
The Opeo University, children's programmes and the lunchtime programme Pebble Mill m

One are safe.

There will be no staff redundancies at present, but Stuart Henry, Bob Harris, Alan Black and David Simmons, the Radio l disc jockeys, will not have their contracts renewed in the new year.

Triny Brandon will lose his Radio 2 afternoon programme to David Hamilton when Radios 1 and 2 merge.

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offices of the Pales-eration Organization vere hit by rocket dmost simultaneously oing, causing damage ing two men slightly. ce for Lebaoon, the research centre and s of the department occupied homeland, bich are offshoots of All three uffices are r populated areas. me pattero was folall three attacks. The described as each a g, were placed in oxes on top of cars with time devices. id al-Solh, the Leban-Mioister, said pre-nquiries showed that had been rented by foreigners from car-. The police gave the es as British, Irish, nan and Mexican.
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It said yesterday that order a new vacht, in which to compete niral's Cup for Britain

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withdrawal

Washington, Dec 10.—Mr Wilbur Mills, a Democrat from Arkansas, will step down as chairman of the House of Representatives ways and means com-mittee, Mr Carl Albert, the Speaker, said today.

Mr Mills, who is 65, has had unfavourable publicity about his relationship with Miss Faone Foxe, an Argentine stripper. He was adolitted to hospital last week and told Mr Albert that his health prepared him fact.

Wilbur Mills

his bealth prevented bim from seeking the chairmanship again. —Reuter.

Nato 'shot down' its own planes

during exercise

More than 60 Nato aircraft were "shot down" by their own side in a recent oaval exercise because they were using different systems of communication. Admiral of the Fleet Sir Peter Hill-Nortoo, chairman of the Nato military Committee, told the stury to defence ministers in Brussels yesterday in illustrate the chronic need for stauto illusurate the chronic need for stau-dardization of equipment and armaments among Nato nations Page 5

Imprisoned pickets

Pressure to release two jailed pickets is expected to increase with yesterday's announcement that the Prime Minister will meet the TUC tomorrow to discuss the will meet the TUC tomorrow to discuss the cunspiracy laws and their effect on trade unionists. If the TUC presses the specific issue of the pickets Mr Wilson will repeat that it is a matter for the Home Secretary's prerogative, our Pulitical Staff writes

French jockeys held

A French horse racing scandal grew yesierday when three jockeys; Jean-Pierre Recoard, Jean-Paul Cirabegna and Jean-Pierre Pailiperron, were charged with fixing races. Pierre Costes, a champion jockey, was similarly charged on Monday. Church

Rhodesia talks hope

The African National Council is optimistic that talks to resolve the Rhodesian settle-ment problem may soon be resumed—with the aim of finding a fresh starting point for negotiations. Each side bad stated its position and it now remained to see "where compromise can be made and concessions given" Page 8

Pensions surprise

A proposed change of investment status for pension funds, enabling them to put their money into building societies on the same basis as other corporate bodies and reclaim tax paid, provided the only element of surprise in the Finance Bill published yesterday. But an immediate flow of pension fund monies into the building societies is out foreseen Page 19

An Ethiopian tragedy

Hopes in Ethiopia for liberty and democracy, so high earlier this year, bave disappeared under the iron-fisted rule of the military junta. A chance to give the country a popular government appears to have been missed. Failure to solve old problems and the pressure of new ooes have increased fears of civil war Page 9

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Next year is expected to be good for job bunters from universities. Companies have been showo a wary optimism on recruitment despite the economic gloom. The universities' agency predicts that there will be 6,000 vacancies Page 4

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Pressure to release jailed pickets will increase with Wilson offer to discuss legal issues with TUC

Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

Left-wing pressure on the Government to release two Shrewsbury pickets from prison sentences of two and three years is certain to increase after an announcement yesterday that the Prime Minister will meet the TUC tomorrow to discuss the issues involved.

Mr Sbort, Labour's deputy leader, answering questions in the Commons in Mr Wilson's absence in Paris, said the Prime Minister had agreed to discuss the matter hecause it was no long sub judice.

Last week the pickets failed to get their case heard by the

Torus.

In December, 1973, Mr Eric Tomlinson and Mr Dennis Warren, leaders of a "flying column" of 308 pickets during the 1972 building workers' strike, were convicted of coosoiracy to intimidate workers.

Apart from pressure for the royal prerogative to be exer-cised to obtain their release, there have heen many protests on the use of the Conspiracy and Protection of Property Act of 1875 in the case. It is clear that the scope of the conspiracy laws will he raised at the meeting.

There were loud Labour cheers as Mr Gwilym Roherts, MP for Cannock, urged Mr Short to remind the Prime Minister of the strong feelings among back-

There was also deep suspicion among Tory MPs, after the Labour Party conference's acceptance of a motion calling for the men's immediate release. that the Government might be

boycott

teachers

by Scottish

Three-day rota strikes by

Scottish teachers, which hegan

yesterday, are expected to close

secondary schools in Scotland.

But the teachers' boycott on

examinations and preparation

for them is regarded as more

Mr John Pollock, general secretary-designate of the Educational Institute of Scotland, which has about 42,000 teacher

members, said resterday:
"This is really the ultimate
sanction, and obviously there is
concern not only outside the
profession but inside as well."
Irreparable damage had not
yet been done, he said. That
would be avoided if schools
returned to normal after Christ.

returned to normal after Christ-

speedy and satisfactory settle-ment of the teachers wage

claim for £10 a week across the

board, backdated to May 23.

elected rectors and honorary presidents of the eight Scottish

universities expressed serious

concern and said that pupils might be unable to qualify for universities next year because of

the militant action by the

education colleges in Scotland are also hit by the rota strikes,

which bring out about a third of

a school's teachin gsraff each day. But because of their time-

table arrangements, most will be

Primary schools and further

teachers.

A statement by the student-

He said that depended on a

to the unions and the party's left policy. wing which could only damage respect for the law.

Mr Cormack, Conservative MP for Staffordshire, South-west, unsuccessfully sought an emergency dehate, arguing that important constitutional issues were involved

Mr Short did nothing to relieve the anxiety of Conservative and Liberal MPs when he told Mr Thorpe, the Liberal leader, that the Prime Minister had agreed to meet the TUC hecause "these were trade unionists in jail ".

Another Tory hackbencher,
Mr Kenneth Lewis, said Mr for the Home Secretary. Inc.
Wilson should ensure that he advice that Mr Jenkins gave on
did not discuss with the TUC
the prerogative was a matter
for him alone.
Political Staff writes:

Some of the oitter divisions within the Lahour Party twere displayed when Mr Skinner, MP for Bolsover, asked if Mr. Short had read any of the "dull and stereotyped speeches" of Mr Prentice, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

Before Mr Wilson met the TUC, be suggested it might be advisable to ask first for a clearance certificate from Mr

He was referring to a weekend speech in which the Secre-tary of State described as deolorable the Labour Party conference nebate on Clay Cross and the Shrewshury pickets.
Mr Premice said that some delegates had gied to raise law-breakers to the status of work-

iag-class heroes. Mr Short, with Mr Prentice sitting heside him, replied tact-fully that speeches on the party's domestic affairs raised

Ford foremeo decided yester-day to disrupt production if the company proceeds with its re-

dundancy proposals. The com-

pany annouoced last week that it wants to reduce its white-collar staff by 1,750 by early in

The first of three unions in-volved the Association of Scien-

staffs (ASIMS), which represents 3,500 foremen, met in London yesterday and represen-

redundancy plans

Examination Ford foremen oppose

Labour Staff

dancy.

to endorse the "courseous views" of the Secretary of State. Mr Sbort preferred to remind the House of Mr Jen-kins's statement in November when the Home Secretary had reminded MPs that be could not usurp the courts' functions and should recommend interference with sentences passed by the courts only on the basis of considerations that the courts had not been able to take into

The Prime Minister, he said had made clear from the start that that was entirely a matter

Government sources were at pains last night to point ont that the meeting between Mr Wilson and the TUC would dis cuss the laws of conspiracy and their effects on trade unionists in general terms and not specifically on the Shrewsbury picket issue.

It was stated that if the trade unionists ettempted to turn the discussion specifically to the Sbrewsbury pickets Mr Wilson would raiterate bis view that that was a matter for the Home Secretary's prerogative.

Mr Jenkins, the Home Secretary, will not be present at the meeting, nor will the Government's law officers.

None the less, it would be surprising if the Shrewsbury

pickets did not enter the discussions as an example of the effects of the conspiracy laws. Parliamentary report, page 10

staff, are to meet next week. The three unions will meet on

January 2 before talking to the

not oppose voluntary redun-dancy if personal circumstances warranted it, but any attempt

hy Ford to make redundancy compulsory would be met by retaliatory action. From now,

The ASTMS said that it would



Mr Rhys Phillips, a postal worker at Mount Pleasant sorting office, London, yesterday tories to an early-day motion he salvaging and rewrapping broken Christmas and other Birmingham and parcels. (Letter-bomb alert, page 4.)

Commons expected to reject hanging tonight

Today's debate will turn on a back-bench early-day motion which bas been selected by the government's business managers ani "lifted above the line" to serve as the hinge of a test of Commons opinion after the Birmingham bomb ourrages. The motion reads:

That this House, while recognizing that political terrorism equires a reappraisal of established attitudes, is of the opinion that a reintroduction of the death penalty would neither deter terrorists nor increase the safety of the public.

Principal signatories are a group of Labour MPs, Mr Walden, Mr Bates, Mr Sedgemore, Mr Stewart, Mr G. R. Strauss and Mr Whitehead. Mr Strauss is "Father of the Strauss is "Father of the House" and Mr Stewart one of Labour's elder statesmen; and Mr Bates sponsored an early-

Mr Bates sponsored an earlyday motion opposing reintroduction of capital punishment that
now hears 147 signatures.
An amendment to Mr Walden's motion has been tabled by
Mr Ian Percival, QC, Conservative MP for Southport, and it
has attracted strong support for
the block of Conservatives who
believe that capital numishment believe that capital punishment must be brought beck to curb terrorism in Britain.

The amendment would make The amendment would make the Walden motion read:
That this House is of the opinion that death should be the penalty for acts of terrorism causing death, and calls upon HM Government to introduce at an early date legislation to enable Paritiament to give effect to

that opinion.

The measure of Mr Percival's

Mr Jenkins, the Home Secretary, is generally expected to carry a decisive maintity in the Commons tonight in rejecting carries, then the Walden motion banging as the penalty for acts

then a second division could be called on the substantive motion; and here Mr Percival and his supporters are likely to be influenced by the size of the majority for the motion. The Home Secretary and the Govern-ment's business managers clearly hope the first vote will

Should the "hanging" amend-ment succeed in the first vote, there is no doubt that the Gov ernment recognizes that it would have to take the weight of parliamentary and public opinion into account in deciding whether legislation to bring back capital punishment should be recon-

Last night another amendment was tabled by Sir Frederic Bennett, Conservative MP for Torbay and a lawyer. He urges the Government to consider invoking "the long established law of treason for acts of terrorism, and if necessary to reenact parts of the Criminal Justice (Northern Ireland) Act, 1966. with application to the 1966, with application to the whole of the United Kingdom: 'most particularly section 10b of that Act specifically retaining tha death penalty for any murder done in the cause or furtherance of any seditious conspiracy, or of the activities of any association or organizaof any association or organiza-tion which is en unlawful association

It remain to be seen today whether the Speaker selects Sir Frederic's amendment for a division. But be certainly catches the spirit of the argument in e Conservative backbench committee that hanging must be brought back, if at all, for the whole of the United for the whole of the United Kingdom. Mr Whitelaw, former Secretary of State for Northern ebolished capital Ireland. punishment in the province,

Vandalism 👫 charges dropped to

From Our Correspondent Edinburgh

Criminal charges against boys alleged to have throwing stones near a rai line before an accident y dropped so that the truth (be established publicly, to the authorities to prevent lar tragedies. Toat was a by Mr Ronald King Murray the Lord Advocate, in burgh today.

In a fatal accident in last week into the death John Patrick Conroy, the driver, the jury decided accident occurred because overhead insulator had detached from its brack stones thrown by youths a period.

In August, when Crown fin August, when Crown sel considered the police i four boys had been chaith malicious mischic stone-throwing. The boys they had been throwing at pigeons, and one said accidentally his an install design.

All denied the charge. The Lord Advocate sa had the charges been pro with the boys could no heen compelled to give et at the inquiry. Any penal might have received prohably have been because three had no p convictions and the four been convicted of only a offence.

Liberal move exempt edito from union H By Our Political Staff

The proposed Trade and Labour Relations (meot) Eill and its eff press freedom was to: satisfactory as it ste present, Mr Cyril Smith, spokesman on employm

yesterday.
Mr Smith issued a st after meeting Mr Hetherington, editor Guardian, saying that would allow a strict clos to be created io jou with all the dange

imolied.
"The greatest herit country has is freedor pression", he said. no case for endanger

freedom hy unwise gov action."
The Liberal Party mitted to defending the of the individual. It that the Bill should

exclude editors and the cipal assistants from ship of any closed si Liherals had tabled a n

More disru threatens Fleet Street

By Our Labour Staff National newspape face the threat of from tonight after to of a week's grace a the National Graphic F etion of plans for

ection in pursuit t The Newspaper Association is expec to make a final effor off the disruption v newspaper managem?

al newspapers to close Members of the NE ing Lord Goodman, 50 man, yesterday mer Murray, TUC general and explained the jobs in Fleet Street i action went ahead. I

was unable to offer

diate solution.
The NPA, which national daily and newspapers published on a od Manchest the Daily Mirror Mirror and Sunday expected to seek a m leaders of the NGA to is unlikely to have at posals to put in the u from emphasizing potential damage 1

dustry.
Earlier this yearnewspapors collecti expected to lose £2 current financial ye positioo has worsene

Beach barrier A stretch of saod

Prestatyn, North W £50,000 project to erosion.

Published daily exempt Sundrys, 18 25 and 26, and Good Friday by Latined, London, WCLX 8ZZ, Se-tailed at New York, NY, price USS 1250 years by the Fright or Mail, 201 East 42nd Server, New York, Talendone, 984 9230, Island and Ar Zuhan, Salest 17th

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sheets to confuse IRA supporters ments, although the Army denies any connexion with the From Robert Fisk Falls. Issue 26 bears the usual Belfast masthead and a onotation by Parnell, "Let no man attempt to set bounds to the onward The IRA in Belfast has found to its assomishment that cleverly forged copies of Provisional

Gloucesters produce forged news

weekly news sheets, ostensibly weekly news sheets, ostensibly supporting but in fact condemning the IRA, have been circulated in Roman Catholic districts. Several local people in the Falls have claimed that the broadsbeets, which also contain run-of-the-mill IRA propaganda, bave been pushed through their letterboxes by soldiers of the lst Battalion, The Gloncestershire Recimient. shire Reciment.

The military authorities are believed to have satisfied themselves that soldiers of The Gloucestershire Regiment. which left the province last week after a four-month tour of duty, produced the docu-ments in an amateur attempt at

hlack propaganda". Some controversy is under-stood to have occurred ar army beadquarters at Lishurn, co Antrim, about the forgeries.

Army officers appear to be at a loss, however, to explain other pamphlets which Sinn Fein eaders are receiving in the post Headed, "Thinking of joining the IRA?" they are set out in the style of an army recruiting poster but bear a photograph of e member of the Fianna (junior

IRA), apparently walking in the Falls Roed during an Easter parade. The text outwardly extols the merits of the Provisionals but concludes that they are murderers. Copies of the document have been sent to several women in Sinn Fein, in-cluding Mrs Maire Drumm, vice-president of the movement. Mrs Drumm's letter was posted in

So far two editions of the IRA newspapers, duplicated on coloured paper, are known to have been forged. One is an eight-page broadsbeet known as The Vindicator, which is produced in west Belfast; the other is Nation, which is published

march of a nation". It says it is "printed and published by Clonnard Sinn Fein", but there the similarity ends.

The news sheet says that the IRA's aim is "a total break from British rule and a total withdrawal of ber troops" (a standard IRA demand). But it goes on: "We have struggled long and bard and have had many successes. But the days of inflicting major casualities on "the Brits" have passed and we will never again have the kind of success that we did in 1972."

there is e scathing attack on the IRA and against the Birm-ingham bombings. "We have fought long and hard for our freedom and we believe thet at last our voice is being heard in the depths of Westminster", it says. "But now our sight bas been put back 300 years and Irishmen are hunted in their own countries. Why? Because

of the IRA." When the publication appeared, Sinn Fein was asked by its readers why its policies had changed. Indeed, the fake copy of Nation actually refers to Army posters and says: "Let us not do anything too hastily which could be easily used by the British propaganda machine to ruin our efforts."

The Provisionals are not so certain who is hehind the leaflets received by Sinn Fein members in the post. They

suspect a right-wing political movement in Britain, although a local nationalist orientated newspaper says that the photo-graph of the Fianna member was taken from an army post on the roof of the Falls Road In the Falls Road yesterday soldiers discovered a quantity

of incendiary devices, almost certainly prepared for use in big stores in Belfast in Christmas week. Wrist watches were Under a headline "Slaughter"

of the bungling amateurs who dare to call themselves members three of them detained in the

Sinn Fein has been convinced

since the forgeries appeared that the Army was responsible, especially because of recent suggestions of a kink between the military and leaflets, alleg-edly circulated by the "Ulster Cirizens' Army", which named 13 Protestants as those behind sectarian morders. The "loyalist" Ulster Defence Association helieves that the Army may have been behind those docu-

used as timing devices and detonators manufactured by Dupont in the United States were estached to them. The Army has discovered about 200 American detonators this year. Their use is e com-

paratively new development by the IRA. Previously detonators captured in Belfast were made by ICI and sold through a Dublin explosives company in the Irish Republic. Award to detainees: Four men,

Maze prison, Long Kesh, bave been awarded total damages of £51,000 in the Ulster High Court against the Ministry of Defence and the former Northern Ireland Ministry of Home Affairs for alleged ill-treatment by the security forces after their arrest on internment day in August, 1971 (the Press Association reports). Mr James Patrick Auld,

Mr James Patrick Auld, of Belfast, was ewarded £16,000; Mr Michael Joseph Donnelly, of Londonderry, £11,250; Mr Joseph Clarke, of Belfast, £12,500, and Mr Patrick James McNally of Armagh, £11,250. Mr Auld and Mr Donnelly are two of 12 booded men referred

to in the report of the Compton inquiry into alleged brntality by the security forces.

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14th December inclusive, 10 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily. In adding the various other hand-made rugs we have considered the views and requirements of many purchasers and hope that their particular needs will be satisfied in the new and varied display. In particular we have included many lower prices rugs suitable as Christmas gifts.

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retaliatory action. From now, overtime would be worked by foremen only if agreed by the local committee of the union. Mr Robert McCusker, assistant general secretary of the union, said: "As far as I am concerned there is no redundancy among my members. It is merely an accountancy exertatives from all Ford plants re-jected the contention that there were genuine grounds for reduncise. If the company tries to go The two other unions, the Technical and Supervisory Secahead with compulsory reduntion (Tass) of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, representing technical staff, and dancies there will be industrial action by all three unions. We represent all the foremen in

Transport and General Workers' Ford end could easily stop pro-Union, which represents clerical duction."

Youths jailed for killing Two youths found guilt of the manslaughter of Mr Edwin Thorley, a theatrical director, on Hungerford Bridge, London, were jailed by a Central Criminal Court judge yesterday.

David Baillie, aged 17, was sentenced to six years and Patrick Donovan, aged 19, to five years. On Monday Rohert Donovan, aged 18, was found guilty of murder and was ordered to be detained during her Majesty's pleasure.

weeps in murder trial

A girl, aged 13, who was found battered and blood-stained in a derelict tenement

in another room wept yesterday in court.

"Joe is coming to get me and I wake up screaming", she said in evidence during the second day of the trial of Joseph McGinlay, aged 18, at Glasgow High Court. He denied that on August 21 or 22 in an empty flat at Grant Street, Woodside, he murdered Elizabeth Cassidy, aged 16, of Ancroft Street, Maryhill. He was also charged with ettempting to murder the girl aged 13 by hitting her on the bead with his fists and e metal fire grate front. He was found guilty and front. He was found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment. The court was told by Dr Ronald Smith that the girl was within a few minutes of death when she was brought to Glas-

stitches in her fece.

'Baby-face' man | Strike-breaking sought after

Detectives investigating a bomb explosion at Bath on Monday night yesterday issued a description of a "baby-faced man" seen near by. They also said they were looking for a man seen driving a Volkswagen car round the city early in the

Avon and Somerset police, said six people had been questioned but no one bad been arrested to he aged hetween 18 and 20, 5 ft 5 in tall and slim with sboulder-length mousy hair. He was wearing blue flared jeans and a black-and-white sports

No one was hurt in the explo-sion, which damagad shops in The Corridor, a shopping arcade. Mr Ray Roberts, assistant city engineer, said he thought a 51b bomb bad probably been placed on a sbelf or in a cupboard in the Wessex Record Sbop.

Forensic scientists and Scotter Waster bomb sand Scotter.

Girl aged 13

while her companion lay dying in another room wept yester-

gow Western Infirmary with a fractured skull and a hroken nose. She bad to bave 95

Police action in turning the girl on to her stomach had stopped ber from choking to death.

The girl said yesterday she bad not returned to school since the attack and sees her doctor regularly. She said: "Sometimes I wake up scream-

Bath explosion

Inspector Graham Cutting, of The baby-faced man is said

land Yard's bomb squad were sifting debris yesterday. Inspec-tor Cutting said the police were not yet sure whether the IRA-

was responsible,

primary obstacle to peace' By Our Political Staff

Internment

A resolution calling for an end to internment in Northern Ireland was presented yesterday, to coincide with International Human Rights Day, to the governments of Great Britain and The Ireland and the them. ain and Ireland, and to the United Nations. The resolution is said to have

been signed by 101,000 people since November 9. In addition, trade unions, students' and other organizations representing a further million and a half are

ing resolution:
We are opposed in principle to
the interment of civilians without
trial, We also believe that internment in Northern Ireland, now three years in operation, is both a continuing cause of violence and primary obstacle to the success of peace initiatives. For these reasons, we call for the immediate release of all internees in Northern Isoland. Ireland.

At the Commons yesterday

Mr Paddy Devlin, of the SDLP the former Minister of Health and Social Services in the power-sharing Executive in Northern Ireland, who was a member of the delegation pre-senting the resolution to the British Government, outlined a programme to end the violence. The release of innernees in phases if necessary, was an in-tegral part of the package. Other elements would be the

withdrawal of troops to bar-racks, discussions with commu-nity leaders to secure the policing of areas not now being policied, and the progressive re-lease of long-term prisoners, provided that violence stops and is not resumed. These prisoners might be paroled after serving two thirds of their centence,

Mr Devlin and other members of the delegation, including Mr of the delegation, including Mr
Andy Barr, president of the
Irish Congress of Trade Unions,
Mr John Mulcahy, editor of
Hibernia, and Mr C. Desmond
Greaves did not claim that the
ending of intermment would
automatically bring peace to
Northern Ireland, but that was
felt to be the first essential
step, Mr Devlin ergued that to
hold elections to the consistuhold elections to the constitutional convention before vio-lence had been ended would be

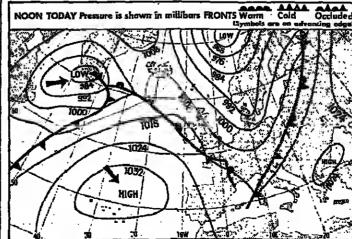
public houses wrecked by gang

Four Ulster public bouses that stayed open during the "loyalist" workers' strike in May were wrecked by a gang of masked, endgel-wielding men, and one owner and his brother were shot dead, the Belfast City Commission was told yesterday.

Twenty-eight members of the gang, some of them said to be members of Protestant paramilitary organizations, pleaded guilty to forcing the public houses to close and causing malicious damage, which the prosecution put at more than £8,000. One admitted wounding one of the men killed. Another pleaded guilty to aiding and abetting the gang. They will all the transfer which would be the state of the s be sentenced later this week. Another man who denied the

charges was kept in custody The prosecution said the gang went to Ballymens, co Antrin, on the night of May 24 intent on closing public houses that stayed open during the strike. The plan had been drawn up by members of the Ulster Defence Association and the Ulster Volunteer Force earlier that

Weather forecast and recordings NOON TODAY



Today

5nn rises : 7.56 am 3.52 pm. Moon rises : Moon sets : 5.35 am

New Moon: December 13. Eighting up: 4.22 pm to 7.27 am. High water: London Bridge, 11.52

Area forecasts:

am, 6.6m (21.8ft). Avonmouth,
5.5 am, 12.2m (39.9ft); 5.30 pm,
12.3m (40.5ft). Dover, 8.59 am,
6.2m (20.5ft); 9.36 pm, 6.2m
(20.4ft). Hull, 3.50 am, 6.8m

Area forecasts:

London, E, SE, NE, central N and central S England, E Midlands: Sumny periods and scattered showers: wind NW, fresh; max temp 4°C (39°F).

Liverpool, 9.15 am, 8.1m (26.7ft); 9.39 pm, 8.1m (26.7ft).

A cold, unstable NW airstream will cover all areas. Later in the day a trough of low pressure may move across Scotland and Northern restant

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r.

Yesterday

fairly frequent snow showers with drifting, perhaps longer periods of snow later; wind NW, strong or gade; max temp 2°C (36°F) Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Showers, wintry in many districts, becoming generally cold with night frost.

W Midfands, Changei Islands.

Northero Ireland : Rather cloudy

London: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 9°C (48°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am, 3°C (37°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 79 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.6 nrs. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1013.9 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.

NW and SW England, Wales, Lake District: Showers and sumy inter-vale; wind NW, strong or gale; max temp 6°C (43°F). Isle of Man Borders, Scotland

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Electric Windows .	Standard	£292	£239
Metallic Paint	Standard	£290	- £139
Tinted Glass	Standard	£67	£69
AlloyWheels	Standard	£443	-
Head Restraints	Standard	Standard	Standard

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windows. Yet
another £212 for
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Having said all that, it would be unfair to say there's a 130 saloon for everyone who wants one.

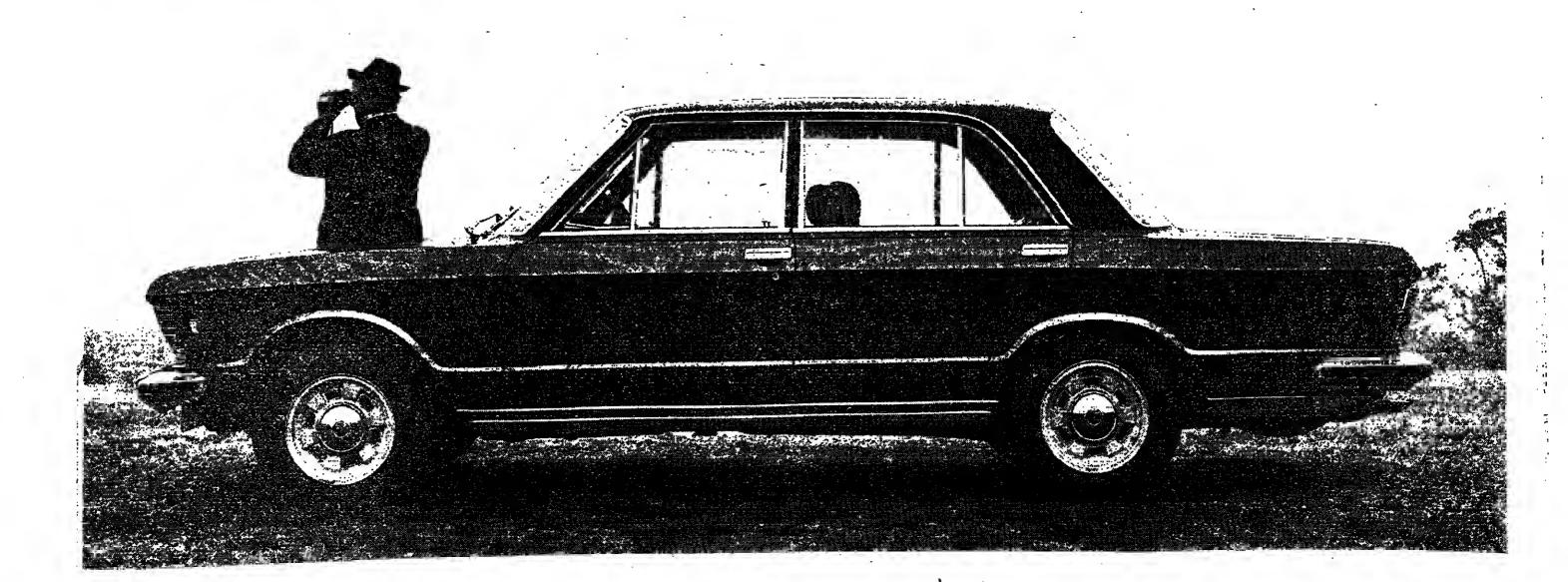
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By Tim Devlin

Education Correspondent Next year will he another good year for graduate employment despite the economic gloom, the Central Services Unit, which was set up to find jobs for graduates, predicted yesterday.

Dr Stephen Bragg, Vice-Chancellor of Brunel University and chairmao of the unit's management committee, said: Looking at the advertisements from firms the general feeling is of a wary optimism. There is no sign at the moment of gradu-'Most employers of graduates have realized the mistake they

made io 1971 when recruitment was stroogly cut back. The same recruitment officers from firms who cut back oo graduates then, rapidly came to regret it. They came back within a year, asking: What has bappened to our supply of bright young men?"

Graduates are commanding predicts, starting salaries will range from about £2,000 to 23,000, and a few graduetes, par-ticularly those who are linch-pios in the computer industry, will command salaries far above £3,000.

Last January the unit, set up by the Committee of Vice-Chancellors in 1972 for university and polytechnic careers officers, predicted that demand for graduates would rise by 40 per cent in 1974. It said yes-terday that opportunities for first-degree graduates in the summer of 1974 had increased by 54 per ceot over the summer of 1973. The unit's list bad a total of 6,500 vacancies, of which 4,300 were filled. The unit predicts that the list will have 6,000 vacancies for graduates next summer.

In its second annuel report the unit warns employers that they must allow for an increasing number of girl graduates from higher education.

Dr Bragg told a press con-ference in London thet mele graduates leaving higher educanon outnumbered females by two to one. But the proportion of girls going to university and

polytechnics was increasing. University and college appointments officers will seek to persuade girls to go into industry. Mr Alan Bassett, chairmen of the Standing Conference of University Appointments Services, said: "This process must start in the third and fourth years at school. I am quite satisfied that there is a greater demand for women graduates." He said that for the first time a few graduates were heing put off management because they

feared they would have to cope with industrial unrest. Mr William Kirkman, secretary of Cambridge University's Appointments Board, said the demand in industry for graduates of all disciplines was to a large extent unfulfilled last were very much sought after and graduates in applied sciences and accountancy were also very much in demand. Second annual report of the management committee August, 1973 to July, 1974 (Central Services Unit, Precinct Centre, Oxford Road, Manchester M13

Job outlook | Post Office alert on Christmas mail bombs

By Malcoim Brown

Business News Staff Mr Alex Currall, managing director, posts, said yesterday that precautions were being taken by the Post Office to protect the public against letterbombs in the Christmas mail.

"We canoot ohviously offer total immunity", he said, "but we are taking sensible precau-The Post Office announced

yesterday that the last posting dates for Christmas would be December 18 for parcels and second-class letters, and December 20 for first-class letters. Sir William Rylaod, chairman

of the Post Office Corporation, ates having eny difficulty in said the corporation's total ex-getting employment in 1975. penditure over the Christmas period would be about £40m. and the revenue generated slightly less. He was coofident that all the mail would get

The mistakes of two years ago when millioos of items bad not arrived in time for Christmas bad been learnt and last Christmas had demonstrated that the corporation could cope was estimated yesterday minimum starting salaries of that during the peak days be-51,800 e year, and about \$2,050 fore Christmas the Post Office in London. In 1975, the unit will be handling about a hundred million letters a day, three times the normal volume. An edditional 120,000 staff would help to move an estimated 800 million letters and 13 million

On Saturday, December 21,

It remaios the firm belief of the Independent Broadcasting

Authority that independent television cannot realize its

full potential except as a two-

independent channel is to be allowed, the authority bopes

its authorization need not wait

until 1979, when its present

Allocation of the fourth channel is one matter being examined by the Committee on

under Lord Annan, and the 1BA has made its views known

in the first important pub-lished piece of evidence to the

likely that by 1984 despite Orwell many viewers will still

be looking at television screens

that hear a striking resem-

Pleas altered in

immigrant case

Three men accused of assist-

ing an illegal immigrant into

Britain changed their pleas to guilty at Gravesend Crown Court yesterday. They were David Reed, aged 40, of Sheriff Way, Warford; Alan Horn, aged 24, of Stonehridge Road, Tot-

tenham, London; and Felix Shields, aged 26, of West Ferry Road, Millwall, London.

The trial continues of Clive

Reed, aged 46, of Matthias Road, Hackney, London, and Hardha-jan Chand Bhangu, aged 39, of Hordern Road, Wolverbampton.

of Broadcasting

thinks it highly

Arts Reporter

the Future

committee.

Independent television's

case for second channel

today.

there will be one extra letter and one extra parcel delivery, and the next day two more letter and one more parcel deliveries, except in Scotland. Deliveries will be normal on Manday, December 23, and

Christmas Eve. The final collection in England, Wales and Northern Ire-land no Christmas Eve will be noon, with normal collections in Scotland.

The Post Office said there would he no deliveries or col-lections on Christmas or Boxing Day, except in Scotland, where there would be restricted collection on Boxing Day.

Final collections in England, Wales and Northern Ireland oo December 31 will be at 5 pm or 5.30 pm and on New Year's Day there will be no collections or deliveries throughout the United Kingdom. On January 2 there will be no deliveries in Scotland, but restricted collections. Mr Edward Fennessy, mana-

ging director, telecommunicatinns, said that there would be no alarm, transfer charge, per-socal or credit calls on Christmas Dav.

The cheap rate period for dialled trunk and local calls will run from 6 pm on Christmas Eve to 8 am oo December 27.
In Scotland the cheap rate will run from 6 pm on Christmas Eve to 8 am on December 26 and again from 6 pm on New Year's Eve to 8 am on January

deed a proportinn of the sets

can be expected to be those which are in sbops and bomes

black-and-white only, some un-doubtedly providing blurry pic-tures and excruciatingly poor quality sound, owing to design or more often lack of atten-

It is even possible, the euth-ority says, that before 1984 public interest in television

may have begun to wane.

Nevertheless, the simplicity and effectiveness of domestic television end radio, and the

improbability of any other in-ventions swiftly providing such a range of satisfactions in the

home, would seem to give some assurance that they will

survive for many years to come, despite changing techno-

Ouite a number will be

Veteran submarine: HMS Andrew, last of the Royal Nevy submerines designed to fight in the Second World War, approaching HMS Belfast in the Pool of London yesterday. She is on a visit to London before being hroken up, and will be open to the public hetween 1 pm and 4 pm next Saturday and Sunday. In 1953 she com-pleted the first submerged crossing of the Atlantic, a feat reported in the same BBC proadcast as the first successful ascent of Everest on the eve of the Queen's corona-

tion. Her most memorable naval action was in the film On the Beach, when she "commanded" by Gregory Peck. The Andrew also appears as a German sub-marine in the BBC television series Warship. Her name commemorates the press ganger Andrew Miller, who was so successful that the Senior Service became known as the Andrew. Soe fired her 4.5 inch gun for the last time earlier this month. Her commander, Lieutenant-Commander Paul Hoddinott, recorded the

from the Royal Navy's Submarine Service . . May the art of submarine gunnery rest in peace but never be forgotten." The submarine will never be forgotten by the fishermen of Devon, for in 1973 the Teignmouth trawler Emma Will cast her nets and "caught" the Andrew as she was quietly going about her business in the Channel. In fact, she provided one of the biggest "one that got away" stories in the Devon trawler fleer's history. The Andrew will sail from London at 3.30 pm

Former Hongkong **Operations delay costs** police chief loses plea lives, surgeon says

Mr Peter Godber, aged 52, the former Hoogkoog police chief superintendent, failed yes-terday in the High Court to avoid extradition on hribery charges. The conrt rejected his

plea for a writ of babeas corpus for bis release from Pentonville prison.

Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, said the magistrate who ordered extradition was right in holding that the Hongkong Government had made out a prima facie case nn charges alleging that Mr Godber had taken a bribe of SHK25,000 to promote a Chinese police

There was also evidence that Mr Godber, e man of strong personality, bragged of the efforts be had made to influence the officer's promotion.

Mr Godher has been in Pentonville since he was arrested at his home at Ideo Lock, Rye, Sussex, on April 29. Sir Frank Milton, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrare, ordered his return to Hongkong.
Mr Godber was ordered to

pay the costs of the High Court hearing before Lord Widgery, Mr Justice Melford Stevenson and Mr Justice Watkins. He

was not present in court.
Afterwards, Mr Gerald Funnell, Mr Godber's solicitor, said a further appeal was unlikely. His barrister, Mr Anthony Scrivener, was being remined to appear in Hongkong. Proceedings there would start after

When the hearing began, Mr Scrivener described as grossly exaggerated an allegation that Mr Godber's assets had grown from 590,000 to £400,000 by the time he left the colony in June last year. His assets were less than half those alleged, Mr Scrivener said. The prosecution had made arithmetical mis-takes and in one instance had added the same figure 39 times.

Pop festival

faced two more charges yesterday at Windsor arising our of

assaulted Detective Superintendent Peter East, and criminally damaged a fire engine. The court was told that further charges would be preferred. Mr Dwyer was remanded on hail until February 10, when com-mittal proceedings are expected

New pig outbreak

More than 460 pigs have been slaughtered because of swine vesicular disease on a farm at

From Our Correspondent Sheffield The main reason why his waiting list had jumped from 29 to Mr Geoffrey Smith, a consul-65 in the past six months and that patients were having to tant heart surgeon, said yester-day that there was evideoce that

lives were being lost because patients were kept waiting too long before viral operations were carried out. He said that in October e woman died after awaiting an operation for several months and that a man who underwent beart surgery at the Northern General Hospital at the weekend was fighting for his life.

In each case Mr Smith, con-sultant in charge of the hos-pital's cardiac unit, said a major factor was that they had been on the wairing list too long. "I cannot guarantee this will unt bappen again. The lives of others on the wairing list could be put in jeopardy. We are facing a most critical situation", he said. Mr Smith took the unusual

step of calling a press conference because he said the public deserved to know the facts. The medical profession had pretended for too long that things were better than they were.

wait up to six months instead of one month for heart surgery was at acute shortage of nurses on his unit.
"We are 10 murses short on

this unit, and the problem is so acute at this bospital that it is common for a major sur-gical ward to be left at night in the charge of a second-year student murse and a medical auxiliary. This is far from de-sirable. Mr Smith has six in-tensive care beds in his unit and three more which stand empty because of staff shortages.
The Northern General Hos-

pital, a university teaching bos-pital, yesterday promised en inquiry into the points raised by Mr Smith and said there was a serious staffing problem. "There is simply insufficent cash to take on the ideal nursing staff. Earlier this year it was necessary to restrict recruitment in order in contain the number of nurses within the existing budget", it said.

In brief

The worth of a barrister

Barristers employed io : . try and commerce earn an age of between £7.000 £8,000 a year, a survey publ yesterday shows (our Correspondent writes). In two years up to October had salary increases of than 30 per cent.

Barristers who are hea legal services earn an av of more than £10,000 a ves some are paid £14,000 above. The survey was by con, for the Bar Association Commerce, Finance and

CBI's pipe chief

Mr Campbell Adamsoo. 52, director-general of the federation of British Inc. has been nominated "Pn of the Year" by reade Tobacco magazine and the Pipe Trade Association.

More join bus strike Men from two more depots yesterday joined t official strike of Scottisi men, bringing the tot: strike to nearly 4,000 wit tral and eastern depots

Couple die unnotice Mr Herry Stacey, aged 7 bis wife, Winifred, aged Shyshack Lane, Tadley, shire, were found dead, come by fumes, in the stairs bedroom yesterday, than 12 bours after a f their front room.

Glasgow oper house opening

The opening date of Son Opera's £2m opera hou Glasgow is to be October was annouoced yesterday
Although no final de
bas been taken about whie
duction to open with, likely to be a royal gal formance of Verdi's with the Scottish Ni Orchestra under Alex Gibson.

'Psychopath' boy raped chi

A boy of 15, who ra girl aged oine, told h choose the way she wan die, it was stated at the C Criminal Court yesterda was found guilty of ra September 20 but senten postponed for medical re Mr Justice Cusack sa boy was a potentially dan psychopath, and made b subject of a hospital orde he had "grown up a bit

They bave denied the charge. Hospital workers' strike put 30,000 on waiting lists

By John Roper Medical Reporter

Hospital waiting lists increased by 30,000 and admissions dropped by 91,000 during the National Health Service auxillary workers' strike, which lasted about six weeks early last year, according to a statistical report published by the Department of Health yes—
The present £43m pay offer to 220,000 ancillary workers bas been rejected by the National Union of Public Employees and the Confederation of Health

the Confederation of Health

Service Employees.

unions are insisting on their original claim of a £30 minimum rate.

The Health and Personal Social Services Statistics for 1974 show that the number of hospital medical staff is still rising: by a little over 40 per cent from 1963 to 1973, to 26,752. In the same period the number of women doctors rose by 68 per cent to 4,167. The seas, which had remained steady at about 33 per cent hetween 1969 and 1971, is again

rising slightly.
In general practice the total reached 21,358 but the number of unrestricted principals coming from overseas continued to rise in England, from 3,157 in 1972 to 3,350 this year.

The statistics show that .263,873,000 prescriptions were dispensed by the pharmaceutical service of the NHS in 1973, an increase of nearly 3 per cent. The net inbredient cost increased by £15.00 cm. cost increased by £15.9m to £171.4m and the average total cost of a prescription was just over 88p, an increase of 6p over Admissions to mental bospi-

tals in England increased in 1972 by 1,922 to 175,152, mark-ing a change from the stable situation of the previous two

Healthand Personal Social Services Statistics 1974 (Stationery number of doctors born over- Office, £3).

Accused man had no trace of victim's fibres

logy and fashion.

There was no trace of fibres from the clothing of a dead woman on anything belonging to Thomas Anderson, who is accused of murdering her, it

yesterday. Mr Anderson, aged 70, a rat-catcher, of Harehill Lane, Leeds, is accused of strangling Miss Daisy Morris, aged 80, at ber cottage at Scarcraft. The prose-Cution has suggested that Mr Anderson was frustrated by her refusal to sell him a plot of land.

Mr Ronald Outteridge, a principal scientific officer, said he bad examined clothing from Miss Morris and Mr Anderson and found a small area of bloodstains of human origin on one of Mr Anderson's boots. It was insufficient for further tests to be carried out and might have been several weeks old.

Wife must sell her home

A teacher, Mrs Miriam Green, aged 35, must sell her home in Manor Road, New Milton, Hampshire, because her hus-band, Mr Harry Green, failed had put up a £3,000 surety. He eventually surrended to the Board of Customs and Excise and was jailed for four years for drug-smuggling.

In the Queen's Bench Divisional Court yesterday Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, said there was no ground for appeal against a forfeit order.

100 and still driving

Mr Herbert Warren, of Watlington, Norfolk, who is 100 tomorrow still drives his 1955 Standard car around the village shopping and doing errands.

Charges William Dwyer, aged 44, a Stationery Office clerk, at Wynford Road, Islington, London,

the Windsor Great Park pop festival last summer, which he organized. He already faces three charges.

The new charges are that he

Ockbrook, near Derby.



Peter Coffey, aged 18, of Hanworth, and Anne Elizabeth Kent, aged 16, who was in her boy friend's car, died in this crash at Feltham

Awards for passers-by Parkinson's disease affects who tackled criminals one in 100

By Our Medical Reporter

Parkinson's disease, the "shaking palsy", is now more prevalent because of the greater number of people who survive into old age. A report pub-lished today by the Office of Health Economics estimates that it affects between 60,000 and 80,000 people, almost balf of whom may be moderately or severely disabled. The report concludes that one

person in a bundred born in this country will eventually develop the disease. Cost of treatment within the health service is at least £15m.
An immediate need was an

improvement in the social situation of victims. Improved medicines, particularly the use of L-dopa, had helped in many cases to reduce distress and dis-ablement; but medicines alone could not ensure that those with the disease live as full a life as possible. The disease was at a stage at which it might be compared with

snch conditions as diabetes. Al-though medical care could oot cure, it could maintain the phy-

sical condition of many sufferers so as to enable them to live e reasonably full life.

The sbaring of experiences through memhership if an organization such as the Parkinson's Disease Society belped sufferers and their relatives to ease difficulties and to break down the sense of isolation. sufferers and their relatives to ease difficulties and to break down the sense of isolation.

Parkinson's Disease (Office of Health Economics, 162 Regent Street, London, Wir 6DD. 25p).

The death toll in the Birm-night. He had been cri ingham public house bombings ill in the city's Accident rose to 21 when James Craig, pital since the blasts aged 34, of Sladefield Road, Tavern in the Town and herry Bush public houses

By a Staff Reporter
The Lord Mayor of London yesterday presented awards to theeves in the City of L 22 men and women who, at risk of being shot at or stabled, stood in front of escape cars, grappled in their pyjames with burglars, or threw themselves nn knife-

wielders in shopping centres.

Mrs Jessie Burns, of Delston, who refused to move from in front of a car while gunmen with £6,500 loot fired at her, said yesterday: "No, I wasn't frightened. It was determination: I felt appear?" nation: I felt angry. Three robbers with a pistol

Three robbers with a pistol were trying to start a car after stealing a factory payroll when Mr Roland Henry, a Hoxton minicab driver, aged 27, who was born in Antigua, crept up on one, gave him a karate chop on the earn, and grabbed the barrel of his gun. "I don't like guns and knives", he said. "I've done a lot of karate." His wife, Yvonne, said: "A lot of bis friends said he was mad afterwards. They say the police Arthur Pickeri are pigs and you shouldn't Baker, Mr Wilfred Tow-even talk to them. But it Mr Christopher Thoron depends what type of person you are."

you are."

Mr Lawrence Phelan,
The amoust Binney medals, Derek Seymour, and
manned after Captain Relph Richard Dawe.

Binney, RN, who died ! trying to stop smash and were presented to Mrs 63, from Kensington, wl stabbed while struggling man threatening a

neighbour. Certificates were awar four passers by who gr with a man who stab woman in Oxford Street then ran amock: Mr A: Manes, Mr Terence Sie Barrie Westbrook and M. Willis. Three men: Mr. Ali, Mr. Refet Hasan a Michael Blanks, helpe Henry to struggle with the

Three members of a who were thurt struggling gummen trying to rob post office in Southall re awards. They were Mr K Saini, bis wife, Na Chera, and

Awards also went Arthur Pickering, Mr Baker, Mr Wilfred Tow Peter and Dr Anthea Ha

Pub death toll rises to 21

ask for $\frac{1}{2}$ p on large loaf

By Hugh Clayton The two largest bread companies in Britain told the Price Commission yesterday that they could justify an immediate price rise of to on a large loaf. But that would be nuly the prelude

to a larger rise RHM and Associated British Foods, which together produce almost half of the hread eaten in Britain, have based their present claims on wage awards to bakery workers, threshold pay rises throughout their industry, and higher costs of yeast and

wrapping paper.
Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, has decided to try to absorb the increase by cancelling recent wholesale price cuts to shopkeepers instead of by raising the subsidy, now worth more than £70m a year. Bakers also want to be re-

leased from the statutory 28-day delay between submission of price claims and implemen-

Bakers' needs, page 21 | ties "

Bread companies General's 'patriots' ready Police fears over jobs and pay put Specials under scrutin to turn out on local calls

By Christopher Walker

A significant change in the attitude of the leadership of the aelf-styled patriotic groups that have grown up in Britain over the past six months was disclosed yesterday by General Sir Walter Walker, chief of Civil Assistance.

He told me that he would no longer wait for the Government before calling his claimed force of 500,000 volunteers into action. "If we are asked by a county council, or any other legitimate local body, we shall be prepared to give any help we can", he said.

"County controllers" had heen selected in 44 counties and attempts were heing made to gaps in the national structure, Sir Walter said.

In its original manifesto, Civil Assistance maintained that its memhers would he called-into action only after a request from the government of the day. That has now been replaced by the wider term " the lawful anthori-

Explaining this change, Sir Walter said he did not believe that the present "left-wing capivated government" would ask for assistance until too late. "If essential services were

unavailable and the sewers were Taunton standing by and doing nothing", he said. "So we have instructed our controllers to respond to a call from any legal body like a town or county council." Sir Walter was expected to

give an account of his organization's work in a BBC interview with Mr Robin Day later this week. But yesterday he refused to take part after reeding that the pre-publicity referred to his organization as a private army The organization has the

names of thousands of men and women pledged to come out and will debate whether the Specials will keep their rank system obey orders if the request is made of them. In Plymonth alone, Sir Walter says, ba has 2,000 signed-up members

Fears by Britain's regular more rank than the regular conpolicemen that volunteer special

constables are undermining their jobs and pay heve led to an inquiry into the 30,000strong force of unpaid officers. Agitation by the Police Federation to discuss criticisms has unavailable and the sewers were running through the streets it would be impossible to think of people in towns like Yeovil and people in towns like Yeovil and armies."

Come at a time when public interest in the specials has been aroused by the "private armies."

Whiteball has noted as a rise in inquiries and parliamentary questions in the past six months, and a recruiting campaign has increased the capital's force from 1,645 to 2,100 this year.

> professional ranks so that they Specials should be trained and then kept as an emergency force, they say.
> Working parties drawn from

the police advisory hoards of

England, Scotland and Wales

The federation argue that the Specials are filling gaps in the can be used instead of the recruitment of regular officers, which would involve higher pay.

London, with the largest and one of the best forces in the country, provides an example of

stable he is accompanying. The regular officers want to see an age set for retirement. The question whether security guards should be allowed to join the Specials is another

issue for debare. The Special Constabulary is long-established feature of the British scene, dating back centuries but created in its modern and unique form in 1928.

In uniform a special constable has the same powers as any police officer hut he receives no pay except a small allowance for expenses. He has normal police insurance. Despite the ranks, which range up to chief commandant, there is no disciplinary code; a miscreant would be asked to leave.

how the Specials operate. The force was integrated into the regular establishment in 1958 so that professional officers took will keep their rank system over administration and dividivision covering Croydon show which, regular officers say, can sional commandants came that last year the Speciala result in the public assuming under the divisional commander. worked 18,503 hours and trained

Applicants are checked by for 1,533 bours. So far this regular officers and the Specials year the figures are 18,604 work before they begin training, hours and 4,082 bours for Many new entrants are in their lere twenties or early thirties, and come from a wide crosssection of necupations. One subinspector said he looked for someone honest, assured end easy-going", and people looking for the chance to wear a uniform, and disciplinarians are discouraged.

Applicants take the same oath as a normal policeman and then go through two hours' training a week for 23 weeks. This covers first aid, basic law, court procedure and other techniques. Each is issued with a bulky

Progress in training is moni-tored and if it is satisfactory the afficer goes on to hegin 32 hours patrolling with regular policemen. There are no examinations. After the patrol work the full special constable is expected to put in four hours' duty a month, although in London many do more.

Statistics produced for tha

training. There are 124 officers, 60 per cent of them under 30. Last year they took 88 cases to court. So far this year the

number is 133. In London the Specials are a back-up " force. They do not work at demonstrations hut provide the extra manpower to allow regular officers to do so.

They are being used in large numbers for events such as football matches, shows (there were 250 et the Lord Mayor's show last month) and peaceful ceremonies, under the command of regular officers. They man their own launches on the Thames and ride as observers in petrol cars but they are not allowed to act as police drivers or to specialize in areas such as plain clothes work. How-

ever, at least one police auth-ority uses Specials for motor-

way patrols. The Croydon division's commandant, Mr John Tween, said : "The involvement in day-to-day police work is much greater than when I joined 15 years ago. Then you might walk up ing shop doors." The involvement is greatest in emergencies amples of the Specials' include manning the moafter the Trident air cra 1972 or in the afterma

and down the bigh stre

Flixborough. A tew weeks ago Sei Peter Newby, a factory ger, aged 47, went on di om one Friday and finish 4.30 am next day. The included foot patrols. with a regular officer, a boax and a man found

Officers like Sergeant N are almost indistinguis from the real thing in conversation about the joi their attitudes. Iodeed. admit to being "frust policemen at beart", and j because they could not be full time officers. Others up Specials as a srepnine ston-

last year 30 Specials toine full Metropuliran Police. They are sensitive of regular officers' grievance: are ofteo anxious to poin that they are an aid and

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s impeding ee speech?

l Correspondent

de-ranging proposals to y and liberalize the law niempt of court bave heen by the Phillimnre comin a report published

e committee, whose chair-Lord Justice Phillimore, earlier this year, makes mher of recummendations ing the freedom of the publish facts and comon legal proceedings suggests a new definition lest for contempt, specithe time periods within contempt can arise, and possible defences. It has, er, rejected the establishnf a defence of public

report proposes a numf changes to the pcoce-governing contempt proies and to the sentencing s of judges.

alls for an inquiry into actice take most striking the of which was in the murdec case) of the press ig witnesses in a criminal money fuc their stories, t to the defendant being

a fournose, the commit-fers to the case of Mc 'oot, who was found guilty tempt in revealing in the Worker the names of blackmail victims reto by initials in court, the judge had requested he names should not be ed. The committee's note ritten before the result case against Mr Foot was

incline to the view that portant question of what ess may publish concecnoceedings in open court oo longer be left to judiquests (which may be dised) noc to judicial direcwhich, if given, may bave ul legal authority) but gislation should provide se specific circumstances ich a court shall be ered to prohibit, in the interest, the publication ies or of other matters

committee starts from mise that the law of conof court is of fundamenportance to the legal but that the existing law ertain, especially those which affect the media. itial reforms were pecestake account of modern ins, the committee said. her a particular publicamounted to contempt he judged by a proposed atutory definition: "The contempt is whether the ition complained of t a risk that the course stice will be seriously ed or prejudiced."

the question of pressure applied on a litigant, the discusses at length the of Lords decision to han, ground of contempt, tion of a proposed article Sunday Times dealing e liability of the Distif-ompany in the tbalido-

committee's proposal produce the opposite and, if implemented mean that a similar io future would ont fall the contempt laws. recommendation

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ng with the rime from liability under the law empt should start, the ec accepted that the position was far from

minal cases, it was esseuwhatever starting point osen should be readily nable so that the editor adviser, who had to decision at short notice. ir oppostunity of informself of the position. The lay between an earlier such as the issue of a for arrest, or the acrest nd a larer moment, such the accused was charged appeared in court.

have come in the couthat the right point in I and Wales is the when the suspected man ed or a summons rved; Scotland when the perirst publicly charged on or otherwise, or at the lling io court of a sum-

omplaint."
il proceedings, the comrejects the present law nakes issue or service of or summons the relevant point for liability for

apply the strict rules of ot from the moment that n summons is served or sued . . . would not only tifle legitimate freedom ch and comment for an nable length of time, but necessary, either for the protection of the parties. due administration of Further, to apply the the initiation of pros would still leave unhe vexed problem of the g writ'."

Test would be whether justice is put at risk

The following is a summary of the report's cooclusions and cecommendations:

1. The law of contempt in Eogland and Wales and in Scotland is required as a means of-

required as a means of—

(al maintaining the rights of the citizen to a falr and unimpeded system of tustice; and (b) protecting the orderly administration of the law of contempt should be confined to circumstances where the arhievement of its objectives requires the application of a swift and summary procedure.

summary procedure.

3. In essendals the law of contempt, especially as it affects the press, should be the same in England and Wales and in Scotland su far as procedural differences allow.

allow.

4. The law as it stands contains unrertainties which impede and restrict reasonable freedom of speech. It should be amended and clarified by statute so as to allow as much freedom of speech as is consistent with the achievement of the objective set out in confusion 1.

sion 1.

S. One area of uncertainty concerns the period of operation of the law of runtempt, as in whether publications are at risk when proceedings are imminent and if so, what period that expression covers.

Recommendations:

6. Any ronduct, including publi-ration as described in recommen-dation 8, which is intended to perdation 8, which is intended to pervert or obstruct the course of justice in particular proceedings should cuntinue to he rapable of being dealt with as a contempt of of court, but only if the priceedings in question have started and have not yet been finally settled or concluded. However, such conduct should normally be dealt with as a criminal offence unless there are compelling reasons requiring are compelling reasons requiring urgency by means of summary contempt procedures. 7. A publication, as described in the following recommendation,

should be subject to the law of contempt if it creates a risk of serious prejudice (whether intentionally or not); but this strict liability should not apply to other conduct and should apply to publications only in accordance with

8. For the porposes of cecommendations 7 and 9-16 a publication should be defined as any speech, writing, broadcast oc other communication, in whatever form, which is addressed to the public at large.

9. A publication should give rise to strict liability in the law of Contempt only if it creates a risk that the course uf justice will be seriously impeded or prejudiced. A definition on these lines should be provided by statute. 10. Where the proceedings in question are criminal, strict liability fur publications should only

dapply—

(i) lo England and Wales, when the accused person is charged or a summons served;
liii in Scotland, when the persoo is publicly charged on petition oc otherwise or at the first calling in court of a summary complaint.

. Where the proceedings in estion are civil, strict liability r publications should only (t) in England and Wales, when case bas been set down for

trial;

|ii) in Scotland, when prouf oc jury total has been urdered; or (iii) in other civil proceedings, the equivalent stage.

12. Strict liability for publications should cease to operate when a verdiet has been returned and senverdict has been returned and sentence pronounced or judement given, or an equivalent order ur decree made or given. If in a jury trial a jury falls to agree, the law should continue to apply until it is cleat that no retrial is to be ordered. In the event of a new trial being ordered, the law should again apply from the date when the new trial is ordered. the new trial is ordered.

13. The defence of innocent publitrial is ordered.

cation and distributino provided by section 11 of the Administration of Justice Act, 1960, should be retained, with such modifications as will be necessary if our recom-mendations are implemented, for England and Wales, and should be extended to Scotland.

14. It should be a defence to an allegation of contempr to show that the publication was a fair and accurate report of legal proceedings in open court published contemporareously and in good faith. 15. It should he a defence to an allegation of contempt to show that a publication furmed part of a legitimate discussion of matters of general public loterest and that it only incidentally and uninten-tionally created a risk of serious prejudice to particular proceed-ings.

16. A defence that a publication is for the public benefit should not be introduced into the law of

17. The existing law governing editorial and corporate responsibility for publications should be retained, with necessary modifi-cations in regard to irroadcasting and television organizations.

18. In Scotland, it should continue to be a contempt of court to out-lish the content of the written nleadings before the record is closed.

ricarings before the record is closed.

19. It should also be provided by statute that bringing influence or pressure to hear upon a party to proceedings shall not be held to be a contempt unless it amounts to indimidation or polawful threats to his person, property or ceputa-

tion.

20. It should no longer be a con-tempt to take or threaten reprisals against a witness or jurns after the composion of legal proceedings with the intention of punishing him for his part in them. fostead, such conduct should be made an indictable offence; with provision for the victim to recover compensation for any loss or damage he

and in detaine a judge in such a way as to hring the administration of justice into disrepute. Proof that the allegations were true and that publicanon was for the public benefit should he a defence. In England and Wales this offence should he made a branch of the law of criminal libel.

of criminal libel. 22. All distinctions between "civil" and "rriminal" contempts in England and Wales should be abolished, and in par-

all cules which confer privilege frum process for "civil" as opposed to "criminal" contempt of court should be abolished. Par-liament may wish to review the parliamentary aspects of these rules:

(b) the rule that waiver by an aggrieved party in civil proceedings automatically relieves the contemnor of liability should be abolished. The power of the courts to order that a breach of an order has reported to its cheek of the courts. he reported to it should be conlc) all committals 10 prison for contempt should be for fixed

left in a contempt should be brought into line with those for criminal contempt; (e) exercise of the royal precoga-tive of mercy should not be advised in any case of contempt;

(f) the practice of the courts in requiring a breach of a court order to be proved beyond reasonable doubt shutthl he confirmed.

23. Certain Rules of the Supreme 23. Certain Rules of the Supreme Court which provide for committal in the event of breaches of specific court orders should be revoked, and all cases of disobedience which may be dealt with by contempt proredure left to the general provisions of order 45, rule 5. 24. The geounds for a motion to

25. Ex parte committal orders in England and Wales should to every case include a direction that the contemnor is to he brought up before the judge making the order for another judge if be is not available) at the earliest oppor-

26 The right of private individuals to initiale proceedings for con-tempt both in England and Wales tempt both in England and Wales and in Scotland should continue, without prejudice to the powers of either the Attorney General or Lurd Advocate to take proceedings at his own Instance should he consider it proper to do so in the public Interest.

27. Iq all cootempt proceedings which a private individual seeks to insulute, other than those for to insulate, other man those for the enforcement of a court order made in his favour, he should be required to serve notice of these proceedings on the Attorney General or Lord Advocate as the

28. In cases of contempt in the face of the courtlat the judge should always ensure that the contemnor is in no doubt about the nature of the conduct complained of, and give him an opportunity of explaining or denying his conduct, and of calling

is imposed there should be a short adjournment, with power to remand the contemoor in custody. The judge should have power tu obtain a background report on the contemnor, and the contemnoc should be emitted to speak in midgation of sentence;

ic) for the purposes of defending himself and of making a plea in mitigation the rontemnoc should be entitled to legal representation, and the court should have power

prosecuting authoribes to be dealt with under the ordinary criminal law, and should so refer it in serious cases unless reasons of urgency or convenience require that ir be dealt with summarily.

29. Magistrates in England and Wales should be given power to impose penalties for contempt in the face of the court subject to the limits proposed in recommendation 37 below.

30. Bankruptcy registrars in the High Court to England should be given the same powers as county court judges to punish cootempts in the face of the court.

31. For the purposes of section 41 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925 iprohibition on use of cameras io courts and their precincts, a map or plao should be displayed wherever practicable indicating the boundaries of the precincts of the court.

32. Regulations should be made governing the unofficial use of recorders in court, and of record-ings obtained thereby. Breach of the regulations in court should he punisbable as a contempt.

33. There should be created a right of appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeal in Scotland by way of note of appeal from a finding of cootempt in a criminal trial on indict-inh before any substantial penalty ment.

34. In superior courts both in England and Scotland the power to fine should remain unlimited but the power to imprison should be limited to a maximum period of two years. All courts should in addition have appropriate powers to deal with mentally disordered offendera.

35. The powers of judges in county courts to impose penalties for contempt in the face of the court (under section 157 of the

should cease to be part of the law of coolempt. Instead, it should be made an indictable offence both in England and Wales and in Scotland to defame a judge in such a way are bring at the such as the support of the law of this purpose where appropriate; this purpose where appropriate; this purpose where appropriate; this purpose where appropriate; the increased to a fina of £150 or this purpose where appropriate; the increased to a fina of £150 or this purpose where appropriate; the increased to a fina of £150 or the court order should wherever possible be set out to grant legal aid immediately for county Courts Act, 1959) should be increased to a fina of £150 or the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support of the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support of the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support of the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support of the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support of the court order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever possible be set out to detail in the support order should wherever poss tempt in the face of the court should be limited to a £150 fine or

three months' imprisonment. arree monus' imprisonment.

37. Both in England and Scotland the powers of magistrates and justices of the peace to impose penalties for contempt in the fece of the court should be limited to a £20 line or seveo days' imprisonment.

38. Powers of both sheriffs and magistrates in Scotland and of magistrates in England to certify more serious cases of contempt to the face of the court to the High Court of Justiclary or the Inner House of the Court of Session and the Divisional Court respectively should be given or confirmed as the case may be.

39. All seniences of Imprisonment for contempt of court in England and Wales should be for fixed terms, but the power to review a case and order release before the full sentence is served should be regarded. 40. Prison regulations in England and Wales should be amended to require notification to be given to the Official Solicitor of prisoners committed for contempt

by county courts for fixed terms of less than six weeks, in the same way as for other contempt prisoners.

41. The machloery for the enforcement of fines in the High Court and Restrictive Practices Court in England and Wales should he replaced by a system on the lines of that provided by the Crimioal Justice Act. 1967. The committee was set up in June, 1971. Lord Justire Phillimore died last June, Other members were: Lord Cameron, Mr. Robin

Day, Lord Grant, General Sir John Hackett, Mr Derek Hodgson, QC, Mr David Hopkinson, and Mr I. G. Inglis.

Liability of editors 'should be retained On editorial responsibility for

contempt of court in a newspapec, the committee concludes that the editor should remain strictly liable, as at present. In hroadcasting, the Dicector-General of the BBC would be in the same position. The Independent Broadcastiog Authority, however, should specify who bas the editorial responsibility io any company under it.

company under It. Apart from Issues mainly affecting the media, the committee has considered conduct other than by publication which might be coo-

tempt.

Before deciding to lake summary action for contempt, the court must make sure that the offendmust make sure that the offending act does not fall under any
specific criminal offence. If it
does, it should be left to the
ordinary criminal courts. Only
where it is urgently necessary to
deal with the contempt there and
then should the summary procedure
be used. That would apply oormally only is the course of pro-

ceedings to which the conduct relates.
Where the contemptuous cooduct happens in the court itself, for example where there is a demonstration during the case, the committee recommends new safe

committee rectimmends new safe-guards for people charged.

The committee feels that the afleged offender should be entitled to legal representation, if neres-sary under legal aid, for his detence and for any plea in mitl-gation. He should be entitled to explain or deny his conduct and to call wipesses.

explain or deny his conduct and to call winesses.

Where the judge is considering imposing a custodial sentence, be should adjourn the case hefore sentencing and should bave the power to call for ceports on the background of the offender.

Sentences of imprisonment for contempt should be foc fixed terms, and foc a maximum period of two years. Magistrates should be given the power to imprison for up to seven days. There should be the possibility of having the sentence reviewed during its currency. The present law which allows imprisonment for rontempt for untimited and unstated periods

currency. The present law which allows imprisonment for rontempt for unlimited and unstated periods should be abolished.

That is one of several suggestions by the committee which is attemnting to abolish, as far as possible, the distinction between civil and criminal contempts.

The committee proposes the cceation of two criminal offences to ceplace conduct that hitherto has been pumishable by the contempt procedure. Taking or threatening reprisals against a witness or juror after the end of a case with the intention of punishing him for the part he played is one offence suggested. The other is "to defame a judge in such a way as to briog the administration of justice into disrepute". That would take the place of scandallying the court", which the ceport suggests should be abolished as a ground for contempt.

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The use of tape-cecocders in court is discussed by the committee after a special request by the
last Lord Chancellor. The committee feels that no mechanical
recorder should be used in court
without permission of the judge.
Normally such consent would be
given only to the litigants, their
legal advisers and the press.
Regulations should be made to
govern the use of tape-recorders,
a breach of which could lead to
penalties or proceedings for contempt.

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On the ban on photography its
court or witbin the court's bonndaries, the committee says that it
would he helpful if a map or plan
could be exhibited in the court
premises showing exactly where
the houndaries are.

The committee says that one

The committee says that one of its principal objectives bad heen in seek to introduce greater certainty into the law of contempt so as to make it easier

for the press to apply.

A plea that the publication was intended to be for the public benefit would, bowever, he relevant in mitigation of any penalty which might be imposed. penalty which might be imposed.

But it would be a defence to a charge of contempt that a publication was a fair and accurate report of legal proceedings in open court, published contemporaneously and in good faith. That defence should be made statutory, the report states.

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The committee's report covers Scotland and England and Wales, and saveral proposals are designed to bring practices north and south of the bordec in line with each other as far as possible. Report of the Committee on Contenpt of Court 1Cmid 5749. Stationery Office, £1).



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Britain to be among main beneficiaries of EEC regional fund

Paris, Dec 10

Today's agreement at the EEC summit to set up a regional development fund should help to remove one of the main sources of bitterness from the centre of Community affairs.

The fund agreed today will be a 1,300m units of account (about £542m) for the first three years beginning on January L This compares with the European Commission's March com-promise of 1,400m units. But figure also included 150m units from the EEC's agricultural fund. The commission's priginal suggestion which Mr Heath's government then considered inadequate, was 2,225m units (£1,000m).

The main beoeficiaries of the the main becenciaries of the fund, taking population into account, will be the Italians, with 40 per cent of the total (about \$216m over three years); tha Irish, with 6.5 per cent (£35m); and the British, with 28per cent (£15m). According to informal columns the person of the perso to informal calculations here, this would give Britain a net gain of £72m over three years if Britain's rising scale of cootributions was deducted.

of account should be disbursed next year and 500m in each of the following two years. With a large number of important details remaining to be worked out, the fundi s scarcely likely to become operational until well into the new year.

Both the Irish and the Italian Governments bad made agreements on an adequate fund a precondition of attendance at the summit; the Germans, the main potential contributors, remained reluctant to accept

Even after last week's broad acceptance by the foreign minis-ters of a Commission-style fund, the French were cootinuing to push for a smaller fund re-stricted to Ireland and Italy. In fact the French spokes-

man emphasized today that the existence of the regional fund involved full acceptance of tha EEC's rules on competition, with cootrol of certain national aids by the Brussels Commission. A suggestion by Mr Wilson that Britain would he prepared neither to subscribe to nor benefit from the fuod if this would he helpful was not considered in be sn.

Italian former ministers accused over pensions

servants of a certain rank and above who agreed to go before whether proceedings should be retiriog age. The object was opened against the seven

From Our Own Correspondent to allow promotions to hring new blood into the higher eche-Rome, Dec 10 new blood into the higher eche-A Rome investigation magis-lons of Italy's somewhat rigid

A Rome lovestignitiate has passed to Parliament a series of accusations against seven former ministers for responsibility in allegedly According to the accusations, fraudulent augmentation of because some civil servants were promoted several grades were promoted several grades in a matter of days so that they Sions and severance rights.

The charges arise out of a decree issued in June, 1972, which offered high pensions and redundaccy pay for civil

A parliamentary committee

sum and pension.

A parliameotary committee will now be called on to decide

65,000 extra chances of winning the 'the fat one'

Madrid, Dec 10
With tickets heginning to

run out for the world's higgest However, most Spaniards buy a this week put on sale another one-tenth or less of a whole 65,000 tickets and hoosted the total prize money to a record or decimo, is priced at about total prize money to a record

The draw for the annual The draw for the annual Christmas lottery, which Spaniards call "El Gordo" ("the fat one"), is scheduled for December 21. With the newly added series of tickets, it offers 224,889 cash prizes, including 21 top prizes worth £572,000 each, and all tax free. aad all tax-free.

about one in seven, but the istration or, if they prefer to total pay off amounts to about remain anonymous, have a bank 70 per ceot of the gross lottery collect their winnings.

sale. There are 21 series of 65,000 oumbered tickets, and each ticket costs about 576. £7.60, and it entitles its owner to one-tenth of any prize money won by the whole number to which the decimo corresponds.

Winners bave no trouble collecting, not even those who wio staggering sums. Any authorized lottery shop will pay off winners on the presentation of their whole ticket or décimo. The average player's chances Winners of big prizes usually

British and French appear at loggerheads in community summit

Heavyweight contest or shadow-boxing?

From David Spanier Paris, Dec 10

roots?

Oh, oo i Not again! Surely the old Anglo-French distrist is not blossoming again, lika some ghastly kind of bindweed you can never get rid of, however deeply you dig at its

Surely all the good spadework done by Mr Heath and M Pompidou to remove Anglo-French misunderstandings, and all the convivial bospitality dispensed by Sir Christopher Soames when he was ambassador in Paris, have not been squandered away?

British and the French were at loggerheads agaio, President side. Giscard d'Estaing was saying that the British proposals on changing the European Com-

1970 Nobel

presented to

Solzhenitsyn

Stockholm, Dec 10.— Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the

exiled Russian writer, was finally presented with his 1970

Nobel prize for literature today at a ceremony shunned by Soviet hlock diplomats. He received his gold medallion from King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden.

About 1,800 people, including

royalty, scientists and scholars, who gathered to the richly-decorated Stockholm concert hall saw the medallion being

presented to Mr Solzhenitsyn,

wbo was expelled from the

Soviet Union last year.

Mr Mikhail Jakovlev, the
Soviet Ambassador, and the
envoys of five East European

countries and Cuba ignored

invitations to attend the prize giving and banquet, which is Stockholm's must glittering

The King also presented

eminent scientists from Britain, America and Belgium with their

awards.
The 1974 winners came first,
Mr Solzhenitsyo taking the

position of a special guest hehind. Wearing evening dress like all Nubel laureates, he walked into the hall side by side with Dr Karl Ragnar Gierow,

the secretary of the Nobel

social event.

prize

word, then there was no hope good. whetever of a successful nego- On tiation.

Frankly, one just cannot believe it. The explanation must be a desire to stage a coup de théâtre, for the British Prime Minister to be seen doing British want to evade the rules, battle with the French, fight and instead of "buying Euroing for British interests, &c., pean" so to speak, will revert etc, to make the final agreement seem all the more valuahle and well won.

The trouble is that, although the issue of the budget itself Half-way through this sum- is in reality a minor one, in-mit meeting of the Nine, one volving relatively amail began to fear the wirst. The amounts of money, it seems to engage deep emotions on either

One must suppose that common sense prevails, even in a summit meeting. The regional munity's budget were entirely development fund was agreed

On the budget, the British have a case for reform. Most of the Community recognize it. What the French fear-and this is where the old mistrust rears its ugly head again—is that the to a non-European policy.

The test of this summir will

be if a formula is agreed, however vague or unsatisfactory, which will enable the Commission in Brussels to work our some safeguard in case Britain should find itself paying too much.

Britain wants to base this safeguard on its gross domestic product, so that if its budget contribution is well above its proportion of Community proportion

nnacceptable. Mr Wilson said and Britain will play a full part wealth, it will get a refund. The that, if this was France's last in it. That is something to the French argue that the budget which cannot be changed, such as customs receipts and farm levies, but there is nevertheless

> reference to gross domestic product, but it could still give the desired answer. The point is that once this negotiation is started, the technicians can certainly resolve it, and Britain can then leave Anglo-French rival-ries where they belong to e past when Europe was divided.

is made up of certain elements doctrinal argument

a possibility of changing other elements in it to take account of British needs. It is a theorebecause it is not yet established that the case for a refund will apply in practice.

If the summit gives the Commission a mandate to work out a solution, then surely a solution will be found. It may or may not include the British

Nato 'shot down' own planes in exercise From Henry Stanhope

Brussels, Dec 10 More than 60 Nato aircraft were " shot down " hy their own side in a recent naval exercise because their systems of communication were different. Nearly half the total aircraft allotted to one of the two opposing forces in the mock battle were lost.

This story of the exercise which went wrong was told to Nato defence ministers today by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Peter Hill-Norton, chairman of the Nato military committee.

Both the United States and Britzin bad devoted con-siderable sums of money to developing data link naval communications systems. Five Nato navies were usiog nne system, and three more were using the other.

But because the two systems were not compatible, ships fitted with one kind could not communicate with those fitted with the other, or with shure stations, and even a partial solution to the problem was going to cost millions of dollars. On land, national forces next door to each other on Nato's central front could not even help out each other with hard ware because they needed different fuel for tanks, different ammunition, and a wide range of entirely different spares for virtually all their equipment.

And in the Second Allied Tactical Air Force area which includes RAF Germany, there were five different types of gun ammunition, four different bombs, six different napalm containers, and 16 different types of drop tank for fuel. In a hlunt report on the

problems arising from the lack of standardization of Nato equipment, he cited these as examples of "the waste of money, dupli-cation of scientific effort, misuse of talent, waste of manpower, and impact on military efficiency" resultiog from the Allies' failure to tackle the

The criticism made by M Spaak, the former secretarygeneral of Nato, as long ago as 1960, that each country wanted in keep its nwn rifle, machine gun, shells, tanks and aircraft, was still true today.

The duplication in support costs, manpower and transport that,

was only one factor. But it cated why the Russians ne only one man in the support to every two men in Nato. There were also serious d encies in Nato manning le reserve stocks, electromic

fare capabilities, air defence anti-submarine warfare gap between our convent capabilities and those of Warsaw Pact is widening

said. At the same meeting o Defence Planning Comm Mr Roy Mason, Britain': fence Secretary, outlined proposed cuts in Britain fence spending. But he po out that Nato remaioed priority and that in 10 time Britain would be spe between 98 and 99 per ci its defence budget in the

Mr Mason did not a without criticism. The 1 Defence Minister regrette diminution of British rein meots on Nato's southern and Herr Leber, the Wes man Defence Minister. equally coocerned abou effect on the northero and about the British with io other locations overse:

But most criticism cam Dr Schlesinger, tha An mentinging Britain by delivered some pointed re about those who measure defence contributions as ceotage of gross n product. The military I could not be majorained wav. Dr Schlesinger.

lunchiog with Mr Masoo iold the committee to was necessary for defent were letting the side do In the United States there was a teodeocy; upon defence cuts as a c all ills, including the c cold and warts. But the had to he resisted. He that there would not stampede to cut defenc under the severe ec

pressures. Herr Leber complain the proliferation of Nati groups. His own already belonged to as as 300 of them, and he w that there were more evi

King Carl XVI Gustaf (right) presenting the 1970 Nobel prize to Mr Solzhenitsyn.

on this side of a border that still exists. But the spirit of your writings and the driving force of your work opens all frontiers", Dr Gierow told Mr Solzhenitsyn.

Foundation.

The writer placed bis hand on his beart in a gesture of appreciation as the King gave bim the medal. His wife, Natalya, clearly moved by the occasion, joined to the round of application.

Of the 10 prize-winners in the sciences and literature for 1974 three came from Britain, three from the United States, although only one was born there, and one from Belgium, while Sweden accounted for an Of the 10 prize-winners in the while Sweden accounted for an

Dr Gierow said that "in this world of ours, truth is not always greeted with pure pleasure". But he hoped the day was not far off when frontiers were merely lines oo while Sweden accounted for an unprecedented oumber of three laureates.

Professor Anthony Hewisb of Britain, the joint winner of the 550,000 kronor (£55,000) physics prize with his colleague, Sir the map.

"Your presence here today doesn't mean frontiers bave at last beeo abolished. You are now that of Sir Martin, who was

unable to attend because of

illness. The two British scientists were praised for their "epochmaking" contributions to the new science of radio astronomy. Professor Hewish, discoverer of the pulsars, smiled as a magnified sound recording of these radio signals from the stars was played ioto the hall.

Professor Albert Claude, a Belgian - American, Professor George Palade of the United States and Professor Christian de Duve of Belgium, were described as largely responsible for the new subject of cell hiology.

ford University, the

After wards came Sweden's After wards came swedens joint 1974 literature prize winners, Harry Martinson and Eyvind Johnson, and finally the two winners in economic science, Professor Friederich von Hayek and Professor Gnnnar Myrdal.—Reuter and AP.

Oslo, Dec 10 .- Both rythmical jeers of "shame oo you" and applause greeted King Olan and the royal family as they arrived here for the traditional Nobel peace prize ceremony.

The prize-winners, Mr Eisaku aSto, a former Japanese Prime ribed as largely responsible for Minister, and Mr Sean he new subject of cell biology. MacBride, a former Foreign Professor Paul Flory of Stan-Minister of Ireland, avoided the demonstrators by entering the ner of the chemistry prize, was university building in central praised for his work in molecular science.

Oslo through a back door to accept their awards.

Labour attitude to EEC budget attacked by MP to coogratulate him afte

By George Clark Political Correspondent Luxembourg, Dec 10

The British Labour Government's attitude to the EEC procedures agreed w
hudget was attacked at the Council of Ministers, th European Farliament to Luxem a higger say in the albourg today by Mr Russell of Community funds.

Johnston, MP for Inverness, as Ironically, one of spokesman for the Liberal

Turning to MPs from other the budget is voted on, countries, be said: "The Comoo a Conservative-st munity will never work if it amendment asking that simply operates oo the basis that you get back the same that you get back the same precautions at a E amount of money that you put atomic research station

"The view of the British Government appears at the momeot to be: 'we will take as much as we can get, and give as little as we can, but that is not the view of all the British political parties and it is not the view

of the British people."

Mr Johnston welcomed early reports from Paris that the summit conference had reached agraement oo the regional fund for which the Europeao Parliament had pressed for many years, but he added a warning

that unless its allocation was based on objective criteria, the exercise would he valueless. West Germany and The Netherlands had done reasonably well within the Community so far, but the future was unoredictable. Wheo the United Kinedom came to benefit from North Sea oil it ought not to say "No" to others who might need help. Regional policy must he a Community policy, otherwise the countries of Europe would plunze back into the nationalist internecine warfare seen in the past, he said.

employed to give the public a sense of security", it said.

"Wa want a police force which is modern, new style and above all preventive", signatories of the petition today said.

"Hatingale Milernectine waffare seen in the past, he said.

Other delegations, notably the Germans, avolauded Mr Johnston's criticisms of Mr Wilson and the Labour Party and several MPs crossed the Chamber

on the Community bud Ironically, one of clashes hetween Parlian

Herr Heinrich Aigner

German Christian Democ is rapporteur for the committee, said that it credible that the Cou turned down this requ Parliameot must stand Mr Peter Kirk, the l-

the Conservative de said today that if the Cor did oot provide the mo there was an acciden resulted in workers heir from the effects of r there would be an outer the council and the Pai In fact, the Conserva

fulfilling a role which MPs could have undersa they been in Luxemb defending the interest workers against the thoughtlessness

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Paris police want better working conditions From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Dec 10 The Paris policemen are discontented with their lot—pay, work conditions, the public's conditions the public conditions the publ

The Paris policemen are discontented with their lot—pay, work conditions, the public's frequent animosity, and with how they are employed by the authorities authorities.

The biggest of their profes-The biggest of their professional organizations, the nonpolitical Autocomous Police
Federation led by M Gérard
Monate, today launched its first
demonstration. Devised to remain strictly within the law as
the polica cannot strike, it is
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Pometowski, the Minister of
the Interior, and the public at
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By this aftarnoon 4,000 policemen from the Paris region had gone solemily to sign a petition to the minister at unioo head-quarters, dressed io civiliao clothes and before going on the

beat. A Paris policeman

Two found guilty

of explosion

Berlin, Dec 10

at British club

have to travel long distances Faced with a rising crime wave, they are demanding an increase in the capital's force of

23,000 policemen, pointing our that some new suhurbs with 30,000 inhabitants have only one policeman on duty at night. But the most serious side of the problem is police discontent with the way they are employed. It was brought into the open today by the second biggest police body, the General Police Union which complained about the "partisan" use of the force. "We are brought out to be intimidate when we nught to be intimidate when we ought to be

Britain critical of farm price pla

Brussels, Dec 10

From Our Correspondent of Agriculture, made it clear today that he regards the EEC'a The prosecution asked today for a 10-year prison sentence on Willi Rather, aged 31, and an eight-year term for Verena Becker, aged 22, after both were found guilty by the West Berlin court of Causing an explosion at a British week latest farm price review as a key element in the Labour Government's attempt to reoegotiate Community memberexplosion at a British yacht club, and the death of a Ger-

1972. The The accused were oot present in court. They disturbed proceedings when the trial opened on October 1 and were barred from the cour-

man employee, on February 2,

the group to two belonged decided at the time to place a delayed action bomb on the terrace of the yacht club as a follow-up to demonstrations in support of the FRA.

Freedom trip in sealed truck

Herford, Dec 10 .- A Romanian youth of 19, who had travelled for seven days in a sealed railway goods truck, was discovered yesterday in a sbunt-ing yard near Herford in West German, it was reported today. He had crossed Czechoslovakia. and East Germany, living oo intervection", he added.

Mr Fred Peart, the Minister

This is hecause the European Commission's plans for average farm price increases of 9 per cent from next February are linked to suggestions that beef farmers should receive apecial premiums to supplement their

incomes. The establishment of a special subsidy scheme for beef farmers as an alternative to the EEC's traditional price support system is one of the principal changes Mr Peart bas been demanding as part of the "renegotiation" the common agricultural

policy. Nevertheless, as Mr Peart explained to bis colleagues during the closing atages of a two-day meeting of ministers of agriculture of the Nice, the Commission's new plan for a fixed premium of £1S a head for high question carried and the commission of £1S a head for high quality cattle did not go far enough towards meeting British requirements. It would not he "a sufficiently effective method of maintaining producer returns io those countries (like Britain) which do not operate the Community's system of permanent He would prefer, he said, a

system of variable premiums to streamlined by reducing to a seasooal scala of produce.

Sliding prices". Such a system

Cuts in these taxe would encourage greater beef consumption and reduce pressure on the Community's beef

stockpiling acheme.

In fact, Britain is already operating a system of variable subsidies under a special scheme agreed by the Nine last month. But these arrangements, which were accepted by countries like France and Ireland grudgingly because of their resemblance to the deficiency payments system operated by the British befora EEC membership, are due to expire at the end of January.

Mr Peart also criticized other elements in the Commissioo's farm price proposals, particu-larly some of the higher increases, which he felt were in most cases over-generous.

Citing proposed increases of 10 per cent for dairy products and higher rises for most cereals, he said the Community must be very wary of price rises which might aggravate inflation for consumers and producers alike. He was particu-larly concerned about the cereals sector, because high prices could produce more surpluses and put up livestock producers' costs.

Other member states, led by the West Germans and the French, concentrated their attacks on the Commission'a suggestion that the common agricultural policy should be

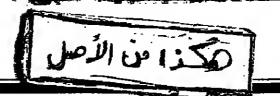
Cuts in these taxe effectively mean low rises for farmers in V many and the Benel tries, where currencies creased in value, as money for producers is

Herr Josef Ertl, the man Agriculture Mini it was unfair to pen farmers because ene construction costs wer in his country than e It was also illogical to that increases should b in those countries whe flation rate was high in parts of the Cc where ioflation was ri The French said the fundamentally opposed der tax changes for a n

reasons, not least bec future changes in th of the fraoc would recther horder tax adjust The Freoch also mad that they waoted high increases for dairy and

The Commission's prop 4.5 per ceot increase in anteed minimum price was particularly disar they said.
At the end of tod

round of discussions price review, the agreed to meet again January for at least tw



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ANC official forecasts renewal of talks with Rhodesia regime Salisbury, Dec 10

Dr Gordon Chayunduka, secretary-general of the Afri-can National Council (ANC), forecast here today that there may soon he further talks herween the black Rhodesian nationalist leaders and the Rhodesian Government. He arrived back in Salisbury last night from Lusaka, where he artended a week of abortive laks aimed at finding a solution to the Rhodesian settle-

ment problem. Dr Chavunduka said the hlack leaders at the talks had been surprised when the Rhodesian Government rejected the idea of a constitutional conference with immediate majority rule as a precondition. He emphasized that this had been laid down as a "startiog point" and the way was open to negotiation.

"What we want to say is that our objective is to achieve majority rule io Rhodesia. This is where we begin at the conference table.

Mr Smith has already stated his position as well. He does not want to see the lowering of standards. These are the two positions. It is the joh of tha conference now to examine both and see where compro-mise can be made and concessions given and so on."

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be to call a meeting of the sia's pace of advance to black ANC executive, probably in majority government. Salisbury on Sunday, where "I believe we must always Salisbury on Sunday, where "I believe we must always either he or Bishop Muzorewa, keep the doors open. We must the ANC leader, would report communicate", the Prime on the Lusaka talks.

Minister declared.—Reuter.

Dr Chavunduka's ramarks Dr Chavunduka's ramarks were endorsed by another ANC official, the Rev Henry Katchidza, who returned with him from Zamhia. The Secretary-General said that Bishop Muzorewa and the other nationalists, including Mr Joshua Nkomo and the Rev Ndabamingi Sithole, were due back in Salishury tomorrow or on Thursday. on Thursday.

Salisbury, Dec 10.—Dr Cbavunduka rejected the asser-tion by Mr Ian Smith, the Rho-desian Prime Minister, that President Nyerere, of Tanzania, had heen instrumental in the breakdown of last week's talks.

"This is not true, Mr Smith is misiuformed. In fact, Dr Nyerere made a lot of sacrifices to be in Lusaka for the talks when pressing things could have kept him at home", Dr Chavunduka said.
When asked about the Rho-

When asked about the kno-desian nationalist demand for majority rule to be the basis for constitutional conference talks, he said this was decided upon as the "maximum bid", but it was regarded as negotiable. "When you go into talka you always put your bid bigb. It is from this point that tha negotiations begin."
Dr Chavunduka did not

believe the Rhodesian Govern-ment would be justified io banning the ANC because it had entered a nationalist pact

further oegotiations. Dr not believe the door bad been chavunduka believed this shut oo a settlament of the would happen soon.

He said his next step would centres on white-ruled Rbode.



On the march: Some of South Africa's first armed black infantrymen who will become instructors in a black corps

High living worries Mr Vorster

Cape Town, Dec 10
The increasing demand by white South Africans for excessively luxurious homes is caus-ing Mr Vorster's Government

ecocomic advisory council bas noted that only half of a 25 per cent rise in building costs over the past year can be attributed m increases in the cost of labour

for more spacious and luxurious features in their bomes. The council expressed its concern about this tendency because it meant capital and labour were drawn away from more production. (excluding gold) and the high level at which manufacturing production bad been maintained.

Meanwhile a report from the special production and the high level at which manufacturing production bad been maintained.

However, in a statement on the economic report, Mr Vorster said last night that the rate of growth in the first three quarters of the year indicated that South Africa was experisome miszivings.

A report dealing with inflation from the Prime Minister's growth of 8 per cent, or more, in the gross national product was expected which would be one of the highest in the world this year.

The main reasons were the

reant capital and labour were drawn away from more productive applications, thus adversely affecting the economic growth However, in a statement on the economic report, Mr Rhodesia than in South Africa. In spite of sanctions, a bad overseas press and political despoodency, says the report, Rhodesia's economy is growing faster than South Africa's, and 1974 is expected to he a record year.
In a detailed look at various

aspects of the cost of living the report notes that the Rhodesian building society mortgage rate is 71 per ceot—one of the lowest in the world. The cost of buildand building material.

The rest has been due to the demand by the white population in the mining industry 2,380 rand (about £1,485); and

haths are hecoming the thing", the report says one sealing six people cos

Meanwhile a report from rand. Noting that there is a si of unskilled African labou report says an average mi wage for a housemaid or between 23 rand (about 51 29 rand and for a gardener

rand to 16.66 rand. On the detrimental the report says the Rho housewife is almost resign doing without luxury foo people are lucky to get a imported whisky of month, at from 5.77 ran-The price of a 9 cu ft reftor is put at 380.30 rand and a four-plate aut cooker 476 rand. Seven pean makes of car are secheapeer in Rhodesia to the aprice at the seven pean makes of car are secheapeer in Rhodesia to the aprice at 180 th Africa.

Dr Kaunda rebukes paper for hasty disclosures

blan newspaper for carrying attempt. details of the recent negoti-ations for a Rhodesian settle-ment, against his wishes, the requested editors of our news-

covernment-owned Zambio
Daily Mail reported today.

The President was apparently referring to The Times of Zambia, owned hy the London-hased Lonrho organization, which reported brief details of the secret dipdomacy that led to the settlement talks they week.

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The Zambio requested editors of our newy papers to cooperate with the Government and I further made a special appeal that nothing should be published on the Rhodesian issue.

"But one of the newspapers went alead and disclosed the whole current issue, on the Rhodesian situation."

is received by

Washiogtoo, Dec 10

President Ford

From Our Own Correspondent

Official amends to Muham-mad Ali, the world heavyweight champion, reached some kind

Lusaka, Dec 14.-Presideot press reports which may jeo-Kaunda has attacked a Zam- pardize the chance of a future

ment talks lest week.

The Zambian Government, concerned altout any hreak-down in the effort to reach a settlement of the dispute, is anxious to prevent premature

The present talks were very delicate and dangerous and if mislandled could create serious problems and loss of life, Dr Kaunda was quoted as sayanxious to prevent premature ing by the Zambia Daily Mail. The present talks were very delicate and dangerous and if

Muhammad Ali Mr Healey has talks with Saudi ministers

Amman, Dec 10.-Mr Healey, today imet Shaikh Muhammad al-Awadi, the Saudi Arabian Commerce Minister, Riyadh radio reported.

Mr Healey arrived in the political capital yesterday for three days of talks expected to coocentrate on ways of re-cycling oil reveoue.

cbampion, reached some kind of climax today when he was received in the Oval office by President Ford. The hoxer jested that he might be in the running for the Presidency. It is not long ago that he was stripped of his title for daring to raise a religious objection to being conscripted to fight His first viodication came at the baods of the Supreme Court. Today all three branches of Government completed the The radio said he also met The radio said he also met Mr Hisham Nazer, the Minister of State for Planniog. It gave no details of either meeting. Yesterday Mr Healey bad talks with Prince Musaad ibn Abdel-Rahman, the Saudi Fioance of Government completed the Minister.—Reuter.

Oil man implicated in election gifts

From Fred Emery Washiogton, Dec 10

Dr Armand Hammer, chairman of the Occidental Petroleum Corporation, was today directly implicated by Watergare special prosecutors in the criminal offence of using others' names to make contributions to Mr Nixon's re-election committee. It was alleged the contribu-tions, given both before and after the 1972 election, totalled \$54,000.

Dr Hammer was not formally charged today. The Watergate special prosecution said only, when asked about his case, "the entire matter is under active investigation". However, in court today it was Dr Hammer who was formally alleged to have caused the offence to which

Republicao Governor of Montana hefore joining Occidental International, a subsidiary of

hutions for Dr Hammer in the names of five others, including himself. Also, be admitted that between September, 1972, and June this year he "did aid and abet Armand Hammer in the commission of the offence..."

The court documents setting forth the transactions in which Mr Babcock is now convicted, and under obligation to testify for the prosecution, if required, did not disclose whether the other then who allowed their names to he used were also Occidental officers.

It was also left unstated for

what purpose the "representee of the Nixon campaign accepted the funds, especially those giveo in January, 1973. Mr Maurice Stans, committee finance chairman, is also stated by the Watergate prosecution

one Occidental vice-president pleaded guilty.

Mr Tim Babcock, who was in the public eye because of in the public eye because of his promotion of trade deals with Russia, heginning during Leoin's time, and he is by far the main corporation, admitted, the most promioent husiness-in return for a guilty plea to a lesser charge, to making contri- Watergate prosecutors.

His spokesman in Los Angeles said Dr Hammer was "somewhere" in western Europe at the moment. Meanwhile, both bouses of

Congress have now passed a bill providing that the Government should take all former President Nixon's papers and tapes into their custody. Under its provisions, the archives' ownership will be decided by the courts but the agreement reached between Mr Nixon and President proder which they were Ford, under which they were to be handed over to the former president, who would eventually have the right to destroy them, has been abrogated.

The bill passed both houses by voice vote vesterday and was sent to the White House. The timing is important: Congress will adjourn on December 20 or 21 and unless a hill reaches the before an adjournment it can be killed by his "pocket veto." If the ten-day period allowed

to the president to examine legislation overlaps into a Congressional recess, a presiden-tial "pocket veto" then means it could only he revived with a completely new hill.

US preview of China exhibition cancelled

From Our Own Corresp Washington, Dec 10 The National Gallery in Washington abruptly celled the press review China exhibition in the

hours of this morning Chinese liaison office h manded that reporters Nationalist Chioa, South Israel and South Africa be excluded from the p which was due at 10 am. The gallery said that so would be contrary

policy for such occasion exhibition, which has be without incident in a nui countries, including Frai Britain, will open form Friday. Mrs Betty Fon of the President, will a dinner in the gallery thing to mark the opening.
The White House contact she would still go dinner, despite the canc of the preview; but it o that if some reporters be admitted and others ex "sbe would bave skipp

China has, of cours opposed any official reco of Taiwan and has alwa ferred North Korea South. Peking voted for pulsion of South Africa f United Nations last mor its suspension from the eral Assembly and for given Palestinian Liberation October Status in the control of the

For some reason the analytical does not extend to reflect from South Vietnam.

Mr Rabin denies softening peace settlement terms

From Our Correspondent

Tel Aviv, Dac 10
Mr Rabin, the Israal Prime
Minister, told the Knesset io
Jerusalem today that Israel's guidelines in seeking a Middle East settlement were the statehast settlement were the state-meot of policy approved by Par-liament in November and oot recent statemeots in news-papers. He was replying to critics who protested that Mr Rahin had softened Israel's terms to an interview published last week in Haaretz. Mr Rahin did not answer

Opposition hecklers who pressed him to confirm or decy the report that he indicated Israel would pull hack in Sinai io coosideration for discreet Egyptian commitments to the

hunger strike

United States instead of a proclamation of non-belligerency and that Israel might agree to "military negotiations with political implications", instead of talks on the political level

An aide to the Prime Minister claimed later that Mr Rabio's statement in the interview bad oot contradicted government policy. He said Mr Rabin had merely "qualified

phrases ". phrases".

Mr Meoachem Begin, the Opposition leader who proposed the full-dress dehate, said Mr Rahin had heen "lightheaded and irresponsible" in declaring Israel wished to drive a wedge hetween Syria and Egypt. This statement had closed that possi-

Americans and Russians in UN 'tyranny' clash From Peter Strafford

New York, Dec 10

The Soviet Union has made a sharp reply to criticism from the Americans of the "tyranny of the majority" at the United Nations.

Mr Yakov Malik, the Soviet representative, said last night that the United States and its allies had no grounds for complaint because for years they bad dominated the United Nations themselves.

longed to the mecbanical majority were quite sileot about it. Solutions ware forced oo us in those days ruthlessly and with-out taking minority opinions into

account."
Mr Malik's remarks, made during last night's debate on Korea, were the latest salvo in a dispute that bas brokeo out over the decisions of this year's session of the General Assembly. It began last Friday with a strong speech from Mr John Scali, the American representative, when he accused the Assembly majority, consisting largely of developing countries, of disregarding the views of the

an arhitrary disregard of United Nations rules, even of United Nations rules, even of the Charter". He spoke of "unenforceable, one-sided resolutions", which "destroy the authority of the United Nations". He gave warning that Americans, who had made a great contribution to the organization, were now quesorganization, were oow ques-tioning their belief in it.

"The function of all parliaments", he said, "is to provide "I personally am a victim of the tyranny of the majority", Yet, wheo the rule of the majority becomes the tyranny complained, but those who be expression to the majority will. Yet, wheo the rule of the majority becomes the tyranny will cease to respect or obey it, aod the parliament will cease to function. Every majority must recog-

nize that its authority does not extend beyood the point where the minority becomes so enraged that it is no longer willing to maintain the coven-ant which hinds them."

Mr Scali's remarks reflect the coocern of many of the Western countries, though none of the others has put it so strongly. They stem from deci-sions taken earlier this year at a special session oo raw materials, and also from majority decisions this autumn agaiost South Africa and Israel.

Kenya minister fined for threat Nairobi, Dec 10.-Mr Paul

Ngei, Keoya's Minister for Local Government, was fined £130 in a magistrates' court today after admitting that he bad threatened to sboot a Nairobi business-

The threat was made on November 17 after Mr Ngei's Car collided with one driven by the businessman, the court was

Mr Onassis wants to giv up Olympic Airways

From Our Correspondent Athens, Dec 10
Mr Aristotle Ooassis, the

shipping magnate, gave the Greek Government formal notice that be was relinquishing his exclusiva coocession for Olympic Airways, the national airline, which was due to expire

io the year 2006.
Mr Onassis, who is in New York, communicated his decision by bailiff to the ministers of Coordination, Finance, and Transport. He invoked an article of the contract allowing him to give it up without explaining his

The crisis in Olympic Airways was due to the energy crisis and a decline in tourism which caused the company a loss of paoy.
about £15m this year. The air. It is understood il lice was crippled by strikes Onassis would be will when it attempted to trim its settle all assets, as well: finances hy suspending some of will, in accordance with the staff and laying off 250.

ernment steppad in retroactive decree pro all public utilities en 5,000 people or more dismissing staff withor sulting the Ministry of)

The Government requi Olympic's aircraft for d routes on Friday to carr to their constituencies plebiscite on Sunday, Sir some erratic schedule operated hut Olympic guits international flights. Under the terms of tract, originally signed i 1956, the cuocessinnair the Government six

notice to take over th

Male marijuana smoker develop breasts

From Our Own Correspondent New York, Dec 10

Two surgeons at the Harvard medical school say that some men who smoke marijuaoa heavily develop full female hreasts. They report that they are treating 16 such cases. The only way for those affected to stop the process is to give up smoking They bave operated on men

to remove the hreasts, they say, and one man has bad three such operations. "This can be done quite simply", Dr John Harmoo, chief surgical resident at the New England Deaconess Hospital, says. " It does oot necessitate removal of the entire breast. There is no scarring or disfigurement."

The hreast growth only in a very small per of people who smoke ma but it seems to affect bo drug, has the same effe small number of paties comes from a special ing called THC, which ha tried on rats, with the results.

The 16 patients are tween 18 and 30 and sm smnked, marijuana at three times a week. Dr I thinks that there must be who are affected in the way. He also plans to wbether marijuaoa bas

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Historian ends

in Soviet prison Moscow, Dec 10.-Valentio Moroz, a jailed Ukrainian historian, has ended a 20-week hunger strike after the authorities promised to ease his conditions in Vladimir prison, east of Moscow, according to sources close to the family. They said today that Mr Moroz had written to his wife Raisa to tell, her that he began taking

food on November 22. Last month, Mrs Moroz said after a visit to Vladimir that her husband was dangerously ill, and bad threatened suicide if there was 00 answer to his

According to the sources, the prison authorities had promised thar Mr Moroz, aged 38, would not he returned to solitary confinement, where be had heen for two years before declaring his bunger strike on July 1 in support of demands to be moved to a labour camp.

Soviet envoy meets Jewish women the family's sole wage earner. working as a secretary. She celehrated her twenty-third hirthday yesterday by starting a fast. Her 11-year-old sister

A rare mark of favour was

sbown to 400 Jewish women who marched to the Soviet Embassy yesterday to demand the release of Jewish prisoners of cooscience in Russia. The Second Secretary agreed to talk with a small delegation, includiog Mrs Sylva Zalmanson, wife of the imprisoned Russian Jewish dissident, Edward Kuz-

netsov. Mrs Zalmanson, aged 30, has nerself spent four years in a Soviet labour camp, hut was released in August this year and now lives in Israel. Her busband, who originally was sentenced to death for allegad high treason in 1970, had his sentence commuted to 15 years' imprisonment after inter-national protests. Her two brothers also are serving loog prison sentences.

Speaking through an interpreter, Mrs Zalmansoo said

being observed in the Soviet Union; but she felt, that in spite of the negative answers, the fact that the Second Secretary had agreed to speak to her did perhaps provide some small ray of hooe. Yesterday was Human Rights

Doy, the twenty-sixtb anniver-sary of the adoption by the United Nations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and was observed by many small groups throughout the Western world.
The plight of Russian Jews

and other Soviet dissidents was the focua of several demonstratioos in London. A typical case cited was that of the Jewish Korenfeld family of Moscow. The father, aged 51. a mechanical engineer, and his wife, ao English interpreter, both lost their jobs after apply-

Speaking through an interpreter, Mrs Zalmansoo said after yesterday's interview at the embassy that she had heen Moscow Institute of Electronic given no promises. She was Machine Building and is now

Mr Victor Feinberg, the dissideot who came to the West earlier this year after being released from a Soviet prison, led a demonstration of representa-

recently suffered a nervous

Another Russian Jew, Dr Mikhail Shtern, who is on hrihery and swindling charges,

is due to go on trial today. The trial has already heen post-poned twice and at one point was planned, ironically, to take

place on Human Rights Day it-

hreakdown.

tives of the European Liaison group—political exiles of 14 European states and national groups—to the Soviet Embassy before going on to protest outside County Hall, whera a reception was heing held by the Greater Londoo Council in bonour of a Soviat

trade delegation.

Appointments Vacant also on page 27

thiopian fears of civil war grow ignitial squanders chance of ving nation popular government

s Ababa

eath of liberty and excitoppes of a new democratic e that were fell briefly er this year have nearly peared as an almost symous and hard-fisted ary junta has replaced ... 4 rchy.

th few of its old problems d, or eveo yet faced, this ry nf 26 million people is beset with new or inteosidifficulties, particularly threat of widespread dis-s or even civil war.

mass execution recently ore thao 50 members of ald Ethiopian elite was a shock to world opinion, sell as a tragic loss. A greater tragedy has been oss of e chance to replace pog stagnation of autocra-judalism with responsible ar government.

he chance we bad is prob-gone for good", an Ethio-said. "Even if we do get ilian government now, in probably be an extreme and authoritarian

e ioformant asked not to fentified, which is what it everyone here has done cent weeks. Most people too frightened to speak

atmosphere is a painful stark Contrast to the , invigorating sense of om that closely followed mutinies last February io a matter of days, de-d the authority of Em-Haile Sclassie. People ie first time in their lives oo doubt, in the life of

ild empire. bough it seems to be a bough it seems to be a the court.
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is e strong argument that foreign source, "the Army did
Ethiopians brought the not want to rule, but it would me on themselves.

eo the mutioies cracked imperor's authority early d political organization. m committees from is units acted in loose

creased civil liberties within

Although Mr Endalkatchew, one of those executed by machinegum fire late in November. was a scinn of a mobile family, he said the right things and seemed to some people to mean them. He begged for a few months to carry out the promises, but he did not get them.

Urban Ethiopians released at last from the burden of a feudal system would not be patient, nor did they focus institutional reform. Instead, they crupted in an endiess series of strikes and protests, which allowed them to make use of their new liberties and negotiote with secessionist. use of their new liberties and to demand immediate amelioration of profound social and economic injustices.

There was also preoccup-acon with punishing members of the old regime, which had unquestionably igoored or con-doned exploitation and social

injustice.
All this made day-to-day government difficult, and it made basic institutional reform vir-

tually impossible.

Aleanwhile, confused developments were taking place in the Army. The informal "soldier soviets" of February were gradually welded into a more cuherent committee representing military and police unity. Ethiopians call it Derg. a relatively new Amharic word for rommittee". Its full title in English is the Provisional Military and Administration of the control of the cont

tary Administrative Committee.
When Mr Endalkaschew
hesitated to arrest his fellow
aristocrats of the former Govwrote and acted freely ernment, the Army simply e first time in their lives went ahead and arrested the old Cabinet and then began picking up noblemen close to

not let anyone else rule,

Imperor's authority early Mr Endalkatchew was dis-ear, the Army was not a missed and, later, arrested, d political organization. The work of his constitutional drafting committee went into the dusthin of history. Predictably, the Provisional

ratioo to force the Emto appoint Mr Endal
aw Makonoeu as Priote
that its aims were "revolutionter and, at Mr Endal ary". But it also suffocated aw's urging, promised a tution establishing parliairy democracy and in-

The Provisional Milimry Committee—and the combat Although Mr Endalkatchew, units it is supposed to repre-

One source of friction was that General Amao wanted 10 negotione with secessionist Etrirean guerrilla organizacions. His death and the decision of the junta to puah reinforcements into Eritres have apparently killed the chances of negotiations.

Nor have recent events even settled for certain the tensions within the Army itself. The members of the Provisional Military Committee are technically the elected representatives of the four Army divisioos, the Air Force, Navy and

other units.

According to apparently reliable reports, on several occasions units have attempted to "recall" their committee representatives and even to dismiss some of them. Instead of accepting these summonses, the committee members heve stubbornly stayed in their new headquarters in the Emperor's Grand Palacc.

According to a report, Major Mengistu's wife and children were arrested and are still being held by the Tbird Divihis refusal to return to base for consultations.

It is also known that the leading fection in the Provi-sional Military Committee had obtained approval from combat soldiers for General Aman's removal as chairman-but not for his death. Nor is the Army as e whole, outside of Addis Ababa, tarred with the mass executions since it was not appareotly consulted.

The prediction, then, is thet further upbeavals, disagree-ments and possibly bloody clasbes might well occur to the next few mooths.—New York Times News Service.

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Delhi MPs avoid clash on

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the affair. Mr Morarji Desai, the former Deputy Prime Minister who now sits on the Opposition benches as a member of the group which split from the ruling Congress Party in 1969, broke the deadlock by withdrawing an unprece-dented threat to resort to civil disobedience on the floor of the

keley, California,
Speaking on behalf of other Opposition leaders as well as himself. Mr Oesai accepted an offer made yesterday in Parlia-ment hy Mrs Gandhi, the Prime years at work in an Minister. to allow them to examine "on oath of secrecy"

tion both backed away today from a head-on collision in the luding Perliament and Opposition Acceptance of the offer, Mr. Desai said, was on the understanding Perliament and Opposition. relevant documents Parliament would be cotitled to pursue its own investigation of the affair tive business for the past three irrespective of any court pro-weeks. It is clear, however, thet ceedings—a demand hitherto ceedings—a demand hitherto resisted by the Government.

At issue is the alleged acceptance of bribes by 21 Congress MPs in return for encending their signatures to a recommendation for the issue of import licences to a group of south Indian busioessmen. So far charges have been brought against only one obscure Con-gress backheocher who was suspended from the party last

Ooe of the main targets of Oppositioo members during the furious debates in the house has been Mr L. N. Mishra, the powerful Railways Minister, who beld the Poreign Trede portfolio

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to the Crown prosecutor io New South Wales for considera-tion whether action is advisable in connexioo with its liquide-Mr Gore Vidal, the American novelist who is in Melbouroe, after an amused look at the Morosi ever again to Australian newspapers, com-py employment because she mented: "Small wonder they attractive, iotelligent call you the lucky country. The eo? froot pages of your newspapers s it a crime to be a fixed are occupied not by world oyone anywhere appointed a government position pective of the qualifications lat person coocerned? Are not eatisfied with having ped her from herming and process and process and process and process and process are not eatisfied with having process and process are not eatisfied with having process and process are occupied not by world problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the process are occupied not by world problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries, but by the June State of the problems or even your own basic worries are problems.

Labour victory in St Vincent general elections

Kingstown, St Vincent, Dec 10.—The Labour Party gained power yesterday in St Vincent, one of the Windward Islands. It won 10 of the 13 House of Assembly seats in the general election in the self-governing

British associeted state.

Mr Milton Cato, the Lebour Party leeder, who has been out of office for the past four years, is expected to form e govern-

ment next week.

The divided People's Progres sive Party, which had been to power since 1972, won only two scets. Mr James Mitchell, the Premier, retained his own sext. -UPI.

Teheran airport disaster victim dies

Teheran, Dec 10.—The death toll io the disaster at Teheran airport on Thursday rose to 17 wheo one of the injured died in hospital last night.-Reuter.

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Mr Denktash, the Turkish Cyp-riot leader and Mr Clerides should be continued. President Makarios declined sideration the fact that to give details of the commoo ut 200,000 Greek Cypriots— line worked out with the salmost one third of the Greek Government and Mr line worked out with the Greek Government and Mr Clerides in receot talks in

ooted from their homes and Athens and he denied reports

icosia, Dec 10.—President the three guaractor powers. months in the absence of the archosshop. He hoped to see arrive said today a solution. This comparison shows the gra-archosshop. He hoped to see

Mr Denktash reaffirmed last oight that the Turkish community remained in favour of

bis cabinet Mr Denktash added that his administration did not recognize Archbisbop Makarios as president. "The Archbishop lost his

he said. Meanwhile 8,000 Turkish ooted from their homes and e turoed into refugees livio appalling conditioos. Said.

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son the Secretary of State (Mrs Castle) has referred the whole question of the rule to the Supple-

mentary Benefits Commission, who

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MR STEEN (Liverpool, Wavetiree, C) asked the Secretary

of State for Social Services to con

sider in her consideration of the

policy of phasing out private beds

from the NHS, the merits of an

annual tax refund for those

parienta who did not choose to use

MRS CASTLE (Blackburn,

Lab)-No. In my view this would

MR STEEN-Will she consider

giving patients who choose to take

medical treatment in private hos-

pitals the use of some expansive equipment that is found in NHS bospitals? Will they be allowed to

MRS CASTLE-It is a tonda-

mental principle of the NHS that its services are avaitable to all people in this country who need them. Many patients, who seek

private treatment for the same pur-

use it quite freely?

be neither right nor practicable.

Mr Wilson and TUC The relationship between a man and a woman in talks this week on Shrewsbury pickets

House of Commons MR ASHLEY (Stoke-on-Trent, South, Lab) asked when the Prime Minister oext proposed to meet the TUC and CBI.

MR EDWARD SHORT, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House (Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Central, Lab), answer-ing during the Prime Minister's absence at the EEC summit, said-The Prime Minister has no Imme. diate plans to meet representatives of the CBI but has arranged to meet representatives of the later this week to receive their views un Issues relading to the Shrewsbury pickets. (Conservative shouts of "Oh".)

MR ASRLEY-When the Prime Mulster next meets the TUC will he campaign for the disabled because it is time they were made part of the social contract? Will he take up with the TUC the wel-fare of disabled people?

MR SHORT-Mr Ashley is pusit-ing at an open door. Disabled people are an important part of the social contract. It is concerned with all people including those objects ability to work is impaired by age or disability.

TWILYM ROBERTS (Cannock, Lab)—Will he advise the Prime Minister, when he discusses the matter of the Shrewshury pickets with the TUC, than he should bear in mind the strong feelings on this matter which are felicious with the House her with the House her with the House her with the Month of the House her with the strong feelings on this matter which are felt on this side of the House? MR SHORT—I realize that there are strong feelings. The Prime Minister has agreed to see the TUC tu discuss the Shrewshury pickets because the matter is no longer sub

MR REATH Leader of the Opposition (Bestey, Sideup, Ci-In the nine months since this Government have been in office and during the period of the social contract the rate of price increases has got worse and not better, wage inflation has got worse and not better, and the number of days lost through strikes has got worse and not better. (Conservative cheers and Labour protests.) The level of unemployment has also got worse

and not better. When are the Government going to introduce an effective economic policy and what is it going to be? MR SHORT-The Government have got an effective economic policy, a policy which requires the port of everybody, including Heath, (Labour cheers.)

MR HEATH-tf the Govern-ment introduce the financial poli-

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Minister to publish the evidence

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behind the social contract and stop knocking it on every occasion. (Lahour cheers.)
MR THORPE (North Devon,
L)—Without dissending from the view about the relationship of the Home Secretary and the exercise of the perogative in the matter of the pickets, may we take it that the

Home Secretary's reply on November 12 will represent the cern is whether there is financial view of the Government when the support between the one person and the ulher and any emotional Prime Minister meets the TUC? relationship between the two peo-ple is no husiness of theirs? (Labour cheers.) MR SHORT—This is entirely a matter for the Hume Secretary. The Prime Minister has agreed to meet the TUC on this hecause MR O'MALLEY-I am aware of the concero in some auarters of the cohabitation rule. Fur that reathese are trade uninness in jail.

MR SKINNER Bolsover, Labi later asked-Has no read any of rather dull and stereotyped speeches of the Secretary of State for Education (Mr Prentice) recently Would be not be better disposed using his time building more schools and replacing sluin schools? Will be jell the Prime Minister, hefore he meets the IUC on the question of the Shrewsbury pickets, that it might be advisable in ask the Secretary of State for Education to give him a clearence certificate?

(Conservative protests.)

MR SHORT-On the Secretary of Smre's speeches concerned with domestic affairs of the Labour Party, no question of government policy arises. On his speeches dealing with covernment policy, those speeches do represent government. Worlds in

MR CORMACK (South-West Smffordshire, Ct later sought on-successfully to have an emergency debate on the decision of the Prime Minister to meet the TUC to discuss the question of the Shrewsbury pickets.

MR ROY JENKINS. Home Secretary, in his reply on November 13 to three written quesdons about the Sbrewsbury building pickets, said-

Since the decision of the Court of Appeal on October 29 dismissing the appeals in this case, represen-tations about the sentences have been received from about 100 individuals and bodies, including the TUC. I have also received a depu-tation from among Labour MPs.

I understand that Mr Tomlinson and Mr Warren have now applied to the Court of Appeal for leave to appeal against conviction to the House of Lords, and we must now await the results of the applications, but t must remind the House that the Home Secretary cannot usurp the functions of the courts, and should recommend in support the Government.

MR SHORT—If Mr Heath wants to get the country out of its difficulties he should put his shoulder

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touts and should recommend in terference with sentences passed by the courts only on the basis of cunsiderations which the courts have not been able to take into account.

poses, none the less rely totally on the NHS in situations of accidents, emergencies, or other longer term and more profound problems. Therefore as the service has to be financed out of taxation, it is only right that everyune should contribute.

MRS DUNWOODY (Crewe, Lab)—Will she accept the suggestion, provided all private patients pay a considerable levy towards MR TERBIT (Waltham Furest, dence he has, and to stop his smear) campaign against the press.
MR SHORT, Lord President of the training of doctors under the state system who treat them as private patients? The Government the Council, answering in the Prime Minister's absence, said— Mr Wilson has said on a number of occasions that he thinks the approsbould make sure the private sector contributes to the amount of priate way to deal with this is to submit his evidence to the Royal Commission. I shall be submitting

subsidy it gets from the NHS.

MRS CASTLE—I agree. At the
moment, the private patient is getting a good deal out of the NHS,
not paying levy for all the benefits they enjoy, and continuing to get the best of both worlds. That is why we think something should be done about it.

MR ONSLOW (Woking, CI— MR GORDON WILSON (Dundee When Mrs, Castle considers the East, Scot Nat) moved an amendnumber of closed wards and facili-ties not available because of shor-tage of staff, and reflects on the dangers to mothers caused by pre-mature inducement of births because staff canoot be persuaded to fill 14-hour cover for maternity units, does she think this is the right moment to starve the hospital budget of the £30m contributed from the private side?

MRS CASTLE-This is the right moment for us to proceed under a phased programme, which we are negotiating, to make available to NHS padents the beds currently earmarked for private patients, the occupancy rate of which is well below that which is cought to be if below that which it ought to be, if we are to have the full use of

Nearly £12m owed in fines

MR LYON, Minister of State Home Office, said in a written reply-Fines outstanding on June reply—Fines outstanding on June 30, 1974, were £11,731,689. Corresponding figures going back for the five previous years were £9,718,428, £7,498,932, £6,598,828, £5,434,049 and £4,270,434. These figures, which exclude inner London, include all fines, fees and fixed penalties then outstanding, whether or not the time allowed for payment had expired.

Parliamentary Notices House of Lords
Today at 3.30: Short debales on future
of railways and on the Middle East,
Oebatable question on need to consorve the Alianlic salmon.

House of Commons Today at 2.30: Dobate on capital oun-ishment. Social Security Amendment Bill, consideration of Lords amend-ments. Motion on EEC documents on collective diamisais.

supplementary benefits handbook some of the major considerations MR O'MALLEY Minister of which are taken into account when State for Social Security (Rothera decision has to be given on the ham, Lab!—What has to be a decision has to decided is whether the relationship between a man and a woman who live together is such that they are Lab!—This matter MR LEADBITTER (Hartiepuol. Lab)—This matter has gone on in this Rouse for too long. Common

to be regarded as living as man and sense tells us it is an Irritant. The rule does not apply to meo. Could he assure us that his department is determined to get rid of this obnoxious scheme as soon as pos-MR HOOLEY-The application of this rule is causing great hitter-ness and bardship in many cases. Could be make clear to social security staff that their only con-

MR O'MALLEY-There has been concern in the House for some years about the operation of the rule, but not ontil Mrs Castle became Secretary of State was anything done about it. This Government have acted and reterred Beoefits Commission. It would be fonlish to come to any conclusions before we have the detailed report and considerations of the commis-

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE (Eas) Surrey, CI—Are the Government prepared ro act on the recommendation of the Fluer Committee, Including on the Fisher Committee, MR LAMONT (Kingston opon Thames, C)—Will he ensure that all documents giving advice to officials on the criteria they should use will be published? No secrecy

The Offshore Petroleum Deve-lopment (Scotland) Bill was con-sidered in committee.

On Clause 1 (Acquisition of land for purposes connected with off-

MR GRAY (Ross and Cromarty, C) moved an amendment to delete the Secretary of State's power to

He said that compulsion was

alien to those who came from his part of Scotland. If the compulsory element was retained the minister

would have almost unrestricted

MISS HARVIE ANDERSON (East Renfrewshire, C) said the

compulsor element was unneces-sary. The Government were creat-

ing widespread odium by introduc-ing it into a Bill which all agreed

was necessary. By taking this extreme measure they would alienate a great many people.

MR MtLLAN, Minister of State, Scottish Office (Glasgow, Craigtoo, Lab) said that it was an flusion to helieve that the Govern-

ment could carry out the purposes of the Bilt wirbout compulsory powers. The powers were essential.

The expedited acquisition procedures hung on the compulsory purchase powers and the amendment

MR BUCHANAN-SMITH, Chief

Opposition spokesman on Scottish affairs (Angus, North and Mearus, C) said that Mr Millan had underectimated the strength of feeling. The Opposition were concerned at

the extent to which the powers could be used. If they were for a

limited range of purposes he would not oppose them, but their purpose

was oot necessary to the Bill. The Government would be given a wider range of powers that they

MR MILLAN said compulsory powers were necessary to make the

clause effective. The ameodment would go to the root of the Bill and make it less worthwhile, if not completely useless.

The amendment was withdrawn.

ment which he said sought to define, if not restrict, the powers of the Secretary of State under the Bill. This was debated with related Opposition amendments and a Government amendment.

He said it was perhaps dan-gerous for Parliament to give a blank cheque to the executive by passing legislation which was in-sufficiently precise.

MR GRIMOND (Orkney and Shedand, L) said he supported the reasoning behind the amendments.

The Bill which applied not just to coastal land, was extremely wide and anything which could narrow its scope would be welcome.

MR JOHN SMITH, Under Secre-tary for Energy (North Lanark-shire, Lab) said the Government

had put forward an amendment which would restrict the powers of the Secretary of State on the acqui-

MR CROSLAND, in a written reply, said—I have asked Mr Kaufman, Under Secretary for the Environment, to conduct an urgent

had had in the past. .

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puwers under the Bill.

Getting best | Close scrutiny of powers in

MR HOOLEY (Sbeffield, Hee MR O'MALLEY—There is no lished period and where she istion against women that fits ill ley, Lab) asked what was the defsecret about what the criteria are, denied the benefits, the benefits with the Equal Pay Act and the inition of completion as it. The Supplementary Benefits should remain in payment until the Home Secretary's intention to in-The Supplementary Benefits Commission have published in the should remain in payment until the matter has been considered?

MR O'MALLEY-The Secretary of State has made a statement oa the Finer Committee. It is sensible that the whole question of the rule should be considered when we have the demiled report of the Supplementary Benefits Commis-

MR KILROY-SILK (Ormskirk

Lab) earlier asked on what grounds the Secretary of State for Social Services had extended the cohabitation rate to one disabled.

MR ALFRED MORRIS, Under Sucretary to: Lis Disabled (Manchester. Wythershawe. Lahi-i assume he is referring to the proposals in the Social Security Bene-tlts Bill relatine to non-contributory invalidity pension and invalid care allowance, under which a womao who is flying with a man as his write would he treated in the same way as a married woman who is living with her husband. I am sure this parallel treatment is right

AIR KILROY-SILK-Does Morris not rralize that that is at unsausfactory if not disgraceful answer? It demonstrates the male chauvinist assumption that only the man can be the breadminner. that at least where a woman has the man can be the breadwinner, been drawing benefit for an estabThis is an unwarranted discriming-

of the criticism.

The Opposition amendments would restrict the purposes for which land might be required to those specified in the Bill. Trait restriction would be excessive. They must consider the future of the oil indoorm the Construction the Construction who constructed the construction of the constru

the oil indostry when the Govern-ment might wish to be able to facilitate oil related operations—

such as service offices and storage facilities—by acquiring land. MR BUCHANAN-SMITH Said

while he had a great deal of sym-pathy with Mr Wilson's amend-

ment. he. would advise Conserva-

tive MPs not to vote but to wait and see what reply the Government gave to other amendments.

The amendment was rejected by 193 votes to 18—Government ma 199 17%.

MR ALEX FLETCHER (Ediz-burgh, North, C) moved an amend-ment to provide that the Secretary

of State could acorire land for any

purpose relating to the "extrac-tion" of uffshore petroleum and not as the Bill proposes, the "exploitation" of offshore petro-

He said that to describe the wide

powers they were taking the Government were using unnecessarily under words. The use of the word "exploitation" covered a mninitual of populations from oil refin

ling to the 1.30st kind of perro-chemical complex. It gave the Secretary of State powers quite outside the requirement to expe-dite the appropriate of New York

dite the extraction of North Sea

MR MILLAN, Minister of Smrs. Scottish Office, said if the Bill was drafted in such a way as to import

into it all the processes sir-Fletcher had described it would go

well beyond what was intended by the Government. He was advised it did nut to anything like as far as Mr Fletcher felt but on the other

Covernment intended.

reflueries under this clause

withdrawn.

Inquiry into mobile home living

it might go further than the

To clarify the matter they bad

put down an ameadment (which was considered with that of At-

nothing in the clause which took it

into the realms of refining our petro-chemical activities. Land would not be acquired for

MR GRIMOND (Orkney

Shediaod, L) moved an amendment which he said made it clear that the powers in the Bill were subject to planning permission. This was considered with Conservative and

Scottish National amendments on the same theme.

He said that one of the most

He said that one of the most fundamental points of the Bill was fundamental points of the Bill was that nothing in it excluded the need for plaoning permission. MPs had an obligation to make the Bill as simple and as clear as possible, and it was not clear to anyone who read it as a layman that all of it was subject to planning permission. Many would think that the Government were being given

Mr Fletcher's amendment was

petroleum development Bill

troduce an anti-discrimination Bill. Will be ensure that in these pro-posals men and women quality for these benefits as of right related to their disability and not marital

status?

sition of tend for infrastructure powers of compulsory purchase, needed in related developments. They hoped to meet some dure, by which they could override the planning powers, and that was

got the case.

MR MORRIS-I said this was right in principle because it was arong to treat the cohabitant preforentially as compared with the married woman. As the Prime Minister has said, we readily accept there is a desire to make progress beyond the limits of these changes—use non-contributory in ralidity pension and the invalid care allowance which we hope to introduce in the near future.

MR BOSCAWEN (Wells, CI-This universally disliked collabi-tation rule would have been totally redundant if the Labour Party had followed the proposals of the Conservative Party in including the disabled housewife in the Bill they have put forward.

MR MORRIS—We hope to make provision for the disabled houseinfe after the introduction of the non-contributory invalidity pen-sion and the invalid care allow-ance. The cohabitation rule is one titat applies all across the system. It does not specifically apply in

MR MILLAN, Minister of State.

Scottish Office said it was not the

the provers in the Bill to interfere oa sites and in developments where

satisfactory arrangements had been worked out and where they had been worked out on the basis of legislation taken by the local anti-

ornies. It was not true that the

There was a fear that the Crown might acquire land and undertake development and override the con-straints of Planning Acts. These

fears were groundless. Develop-ment of the sort in the Bill would

be undertaken by private deve-lopers under normal conditions. If Crown development did arise in

had been the practice, and would

contioue, to apply the procedures similar to those for normal plan-

The Government had been trying

to Devise a suitable amendment to

deal with these points and would

produce it before the report stage.
The amendment was negatived.

MR FAIRBAIRN (Kinross and West Perthshire, C) moved an amendment to remore the power

of the Secretary of State to acquire

housing compulsorily if it was need in connexion with offshure petroleum. It was considered with

other amendments which would reduce the powers of compulsory

He said that under the clause.

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materials came from.

tf they were to have an expe-dited acquisition procedure and to use that procedure for the site

Itself, it would be remiss of them

not to include these provisions.
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workers.
The amendment was withdrawn.

the normal planning procedure.

Regional fund seen as an expression of **European solidarity**

European Parliament

Luxembourg
N CHRISTIAN PONCELET, the
French State Secretary for Econontic Affairs and Finance, reoresenting the Council of Ministers and opening the debate on the final stage of the new procedure for considering the 1975 EEC budget, said he was pleased that ideas expressed by the assembly and the Council were slowly coming together within the framework of the treaty. He could not say that all the difficulties bad been ironed out by any means but substantial difficulties had been overcome.

He was satisfied if, after the setting up of the new procedure, there might no longer be between assembly and Councit difficulties of a procedural nature apart from some technical hitches which could be taken up by legal exposure. be taken up by legal experts. It would have been impossible

for the Council to take final deci-sions on the regional fund a week before the summit conference, but this would be one of the first points taken up together after the summit. It had not been a minority which had blocked any of Parilament's proposals to the Council, but always a unanimous decision.

HERR AtGNER (West Germany, HERR AtGNER (West Germany, C-D) for the Budgets Committee, said that it was intolerable for Parliament nor to be able to take its decisions because the Council had not taken theirs. This accounted for some of the major difficulties with which they had heen confronted.

An amendment which had been

heen confronted.

An amendment which had been suggested to the budget by the Energy, Research and Technology Committee, but rejected by the Council of Ministers, remained one of the most important points of dispute between Parliament and Cuuncil. The amendment said that appropriations in the budget were barely sufficient to meet staff sal-aries and to finance research acri-vities for four months. The Council bad allowed this to drag on. The research programme was a black spot in the Community.

M CLAUDE CHEYSSON. Commissioner for Community bud-gets, said that the Commission felt it was paradoxical that the nine member Governments, et the food congress in Rome, had stressed the pathetic situation in some parts of the world, but two weeks later the same Governments had rejected, without looking at them, modifications on food aid approved by the assembly.

assembly.

This procedure had either been bypocritical or bad procedure. He preferred to believe it was the latter and that there would be a supplementary budget for food.

MR MTCHAEL SHAW (t.K. Scarborough, C) said that there had been a determination in the budget debates to avoid a head-on collision between Council and Parllament. This did not mean that there never would be, list it was important there should be no collision this year when they were planting a tree and had to establish its roots so that It had the strength necessary to maintain the organizadon in the years to come.

the Secretary of State could acquise any part of Scotland, wherever it was, or the whole of M PONCELET said he was con-M PONCELET said he was convinced that a supplementary hudget would he necessary to deal with food aid. If Europe wanted to be a great and generous community, it could not bold itself aloof from those who went hungry. Even if agreement in principle was reached at Paris on the regional fund, a supplementary hudget for the matter would be necessary. The budget must, by the treaty, he wound up on Thursday and that would be impossible if an It covers everything (be said). It says the Secretary of State may acquire any land for any purpose which satisfies any human need for anybody working on the exploration or exploitation of offsbore MR GRIMOND said housing should not be included in the clause without some restriction.
Nor should the term "sources of and that would be impossible if an material" be included, because include anything.

now inserted even in a "frozen" item, because there would still need to he consultation about the allocations. MR MILLAN, Minister of State, Scottish Office, said the purpose of MR RUSSELL JOHNSON (UK, drawing the clause in its wide form was that local authorities and INTERPOSE LL JURISSON TUK, Inverness, L) said that the absence of an Item for a regional fund from the budget was a measure of fallnre, but rumour had it that the summit had agreed on the estabothers were worried that insuffi-cient attention was given to infras-tructure in the widest sense. That included means of access by road to the site. It included housing, it included the matter of where the lishment of a regional fund on the hasis of the Commission's propo-

Ministers, not a failure on the of the elected people but a to of the nationalist pressures found their fruition in the Cr

of Ministers. The Parliament bad for taken a positive supranational of the regional fund, a view was surprising considering nominated nature of the l

ment. Political muscle is absensaid) and it will only come we have direct elections. Only will this Parliament come i position where it will exercise power.

He wished M Giscard d'E luck in his reported demar direct elections by 1950. The pean Parliament was the elected body in Europe elected body in Europe powers and responsibilities men and women counted id more value than geography.

The achievement of ripolitical solutions the said: more lasting significance for viduals in their countries th blurred and ficetiog chime nationalism.

tf agreement bad been re on the regional fund, it me be operated on the basis of rerour. Mr Wilson had made his conditions that agost should produce fairer meti-financing so that what we tributed was fair in relati what was obtained to would work if it was operated of basis of getting back what y in. (Cheers.)

It was not the view of all political parties or of all people that they should

much as they could and g The establi-hmeer of a refund was at the heart of the of the Community, it was all doing together what they cou do alone. Without a n policy the Community perish and plunge back in nationalist internsome warf

the past.
LADY ELLES (UK, C) 42 the Community would be with considerable unemplu They could show their we demanding that money he si alleviate the plight of thos suffered poverty through external MR LENIHAN (Ireland,

said that some people in thought that MPs who came thought that Airs who came European Parliament wers tors, but parliamentary dem was too important in he left nation state. It had been thome that the Parliamen either a menace or a farce. not a farce. The budget pro capability of being taken riously as the other insultati the Community.

HERR AIGNER said b delighted with Mr Inh, speech. Without solidarity would be no Earope, and the was an expression of the darity. It was wrong to the terms of givers and takers, body in the Community benefit from the fund.

M SPENALE (France, So that there could be no ques a juste retour or fair return

not exist. M CHEYSSON said that not essential for the Parliar write into its mution on the which had been agreed at the mit. The fund could ope soon as the appropriate leghad been passed, with the the Parliament.

He agreed with M Spess

Community. When people go ried they did not ask what be the return, but pooled destinies.

He welcomed the fact the British Government had it declared at the permanent sematives meeting that the nor approaching the problet that point of view. They their contribution to be (air hasis of the Commission's propo-sals.

The failure up to now to estab-lish a regional fund was not that of place on Thursday morning.

Child-resistant bottles sought for medicines MRS JILL KNIGHT (Birming-

iam, Edgbaston, C) was given leave to bring in a Bill to make it compulsory for all medicines which could be fatal to young children to have child-resistant opening devices fitted.

She said that the case for the Bill Soe said that the case for the Bill was that many thousands of children were poisoned when eating or drinking medicines prescribed for adults. Children poisoned in this way were almost all under five and there were few over seven.

Children were being poisoned every day that they delayed action. Thousands had been poisoned since last April when she first raised the matter. They all had to be treated and treatment was always painful and unpleasant. Doctors had recently warned that some children suffered long-term psychological disorders after the use of a stomach pump.

The Bill was read a first time.

No shortage (funds for bomb victims MR ELDON

(Bury St Edmunds, C) ask Home Secretary If, in view increase in criminal injuries cially those caused by terror ings, he will review the te reference and funds availa the Criminal Injuries Co

sation Board.

written reply-The Crimin juries Compensation Sche already being reviewed with to placing it on a statutory for In the meandme all vicicrimes of violence, including injured in bomb explusion the dependants of those who died, may seek compet under the Scheme. No qu arises of compensation being beld or reduced because of tage of funds.

MR ROY JENKINS said

Ghana plea for return of Ashanti Regalia rejected

House of Lords

LORO MONTAGU of BEAULIEU asked the Government whether, with a view to fostering case would immediately come np wnemer, with a view to fostering cases would immediately come np for consideration.

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The Council of Chiefe cases would immediately come np for consideration. facilitate the early return of the boned the Government on this Ashanti Regalia to the Ghana marter and we have replied io

GORONWY ROBERTS. LORO Under Secretary for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs—The regalla is not at the disposal of the British Government. The majority of it forms part of the collections of the British Museum and the Wallace Collection. Neither body may legally dispose of these exhibits.

LORD MONTAGU—These relics were originally war booty, cap-tured by the British Army. The Asbanti people have deep feelings about the return of these sacrosanct objects which are supposed to contain the soul of the Asbanti people. A special Act of Parlia-ment may be needed to release these objects from the museum. Will the Government facilitate the passage of such a Bill?

- LORD GORONWY ROBERTScannot give an undertailing that we will seek passage of such legislation, nor could I advise that we should do so.

and we have replied io terms of my answer bere. So for they have out commented on that LADY LEE of ASHRIDGE

(Lab)-When it comes to returning booty from this country we should tread warily because it may turn into a striptease. (Laughter.) LORD GORONWY-ROBERTS— Perhaps the term booty is not remaps the term booty is not appropriate here. It is part of as indemnity agreed by the former King of Ashand, the proceeds of which were devoted in compensation for dependents of British troops killed in horrific conditions in that part of the world at that time.

I sympathize with the motivation of the question—that we should do everything possible to promote an improvement in Commonwealth improvement in Commonwealth relations—but this is not the best way to do it.

LORD GISBOROUGH (C)— Would it be possible to keep the booty and return the soul?

MR MARK HUGHES (Durham, Lab) asked whar action the Secretary of State for the Environment intended to take to deal with the problems faced by permanect residents in mobile homes.

MR CROSLAND, in a written reply, said—I have asked Mr Kaufman, Under Secretary for the may arise: and to advise the Secretary of State on legislative or other ment. The review will not be directed tary of State on legislative or other action which should be considered."

Environment, to conduct an urgent departmental review of these problems. This is being undertaken with the agreement of the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales.

The terms of reference are: "To review, in consultation with interested codies, the problems of smoothle home residence and the contribution that mobile homes make towards meeting the nation's housing needs: in particular, to the action which should be considered."

He will carry out the review within my Department. Other departments with responsibilities in this sphere, notably those of the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Secretary of State for Trade and the Secretary of State for Trade and the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection will be associated with it as necessary. within my Department. Other departments with responsibilities in this sphere, notably those of the Secretary of State for Scotland, the Secretary of State for Wales, the Secretary of State for Trade and the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, will be associated with it as necessary.

He will also be seeking views from interested outside bodies, and in particular will take into account the continuing negotiations hetween representatives of mobile home dwellers and site operators over a possible model site agreement.

at problems specific to the accommodation ofgypsy families nor to buliday caravans. Some of the work done may, bowever, be helpful in the consideration of the type ul problems arising on bollday sites, and the Secretary of State for Trade and the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Pro-tection will therefore be keeping in close touch with the progress

Change of immigration rules would Hint of Ulster require review of citizenship law

LORD AVEBURY (L), moving the second reading of the Immigr-ation Bill, said its purpose was to repeal Section 1 of the Immigration Act, 1968. Until the passing of that infamous and racist mea-sure citizens of the United Kingoom and colonies were exempt from immigration control. That obtained no matter how their citzenship had been acquired.

Apart from the immense damage done by the 1968 Act to lodividuals and families it had had scrious repercussions on Britain's standing with other countries. Cases had been presented against this country In the European Commission on Human Rights.

It was significant that numbers only seemed to be used as a justification for immigration policies when they referred to non-whites. The true reason United Kingdom citizens had been sbut out was not because there were too many of them but because they were the WYONE COLOUR.

EARL COWLEY said Lord Avebury sought to remove the distinction between patrial and non-patrial United Kingdom passport holders and consequently get rid not the quoin restrictions in the latter

If the Bill became law men or women of any nationality married to Uulted Kingdom passport holders who would not even have to be resident in the United Kingdom would have the immediate right of abode in this country.

Since Britain was both crowded and possessed a labour force which for the moment appeared ample for its needs the Opposition believed that all permanent immigration must be restricted to the inescapable minimum. This could only be achieved by effective con-

The Bill was unwise especially because there had been few or no Government statements on their policy on immigration. LORD BROCKWAY (Lab) sald

that since the last war there had been only two years in which the number of immigrants to Britain had been greater than that of end-grants. There were more immi-greats here from alien territories than there were immigrants from the Commonwealth.

Recause of the restricted voucher system only 1,500 had been allowed to come here this year. Many Indians were destitute in Kenya and when they reached the voucher system they came to

Britain in a beggariy condition.

The system must be reviewed if it was maintained at all. Delays must be cut and humiliating interviews ended.

LORD HARRIS of GREEN-WICH, Minister of State, Rome Office, said the Government had never made any secret of the fact that they were unenthusiastic about the concept of patriality or the right of abode as disduct from the right of citizenship introduced by the immigration Act, 1971. But what divided them from Lord Acc. what divided them from Lord Ave-bury was how the problem of patriality could best be tackled. They had to be sure that they replaced it with a satisfactory alternative.

To seek to modify the law gov-United Kingdom passport holders the right of abode while leaving the law not citizenship undisturbed was not the right way to deal with this problem. The Government's view had always been that the only satisfactory respectively. Satisfactory approach was first to put this country's citizenship law on a proper footing and that any attempt to modify the concept of patriality in the meantime was doomed to failure.

The Bill was negatived.

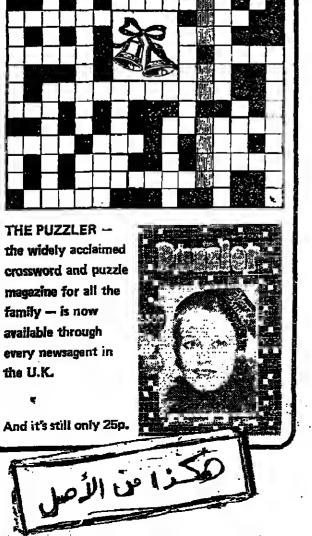
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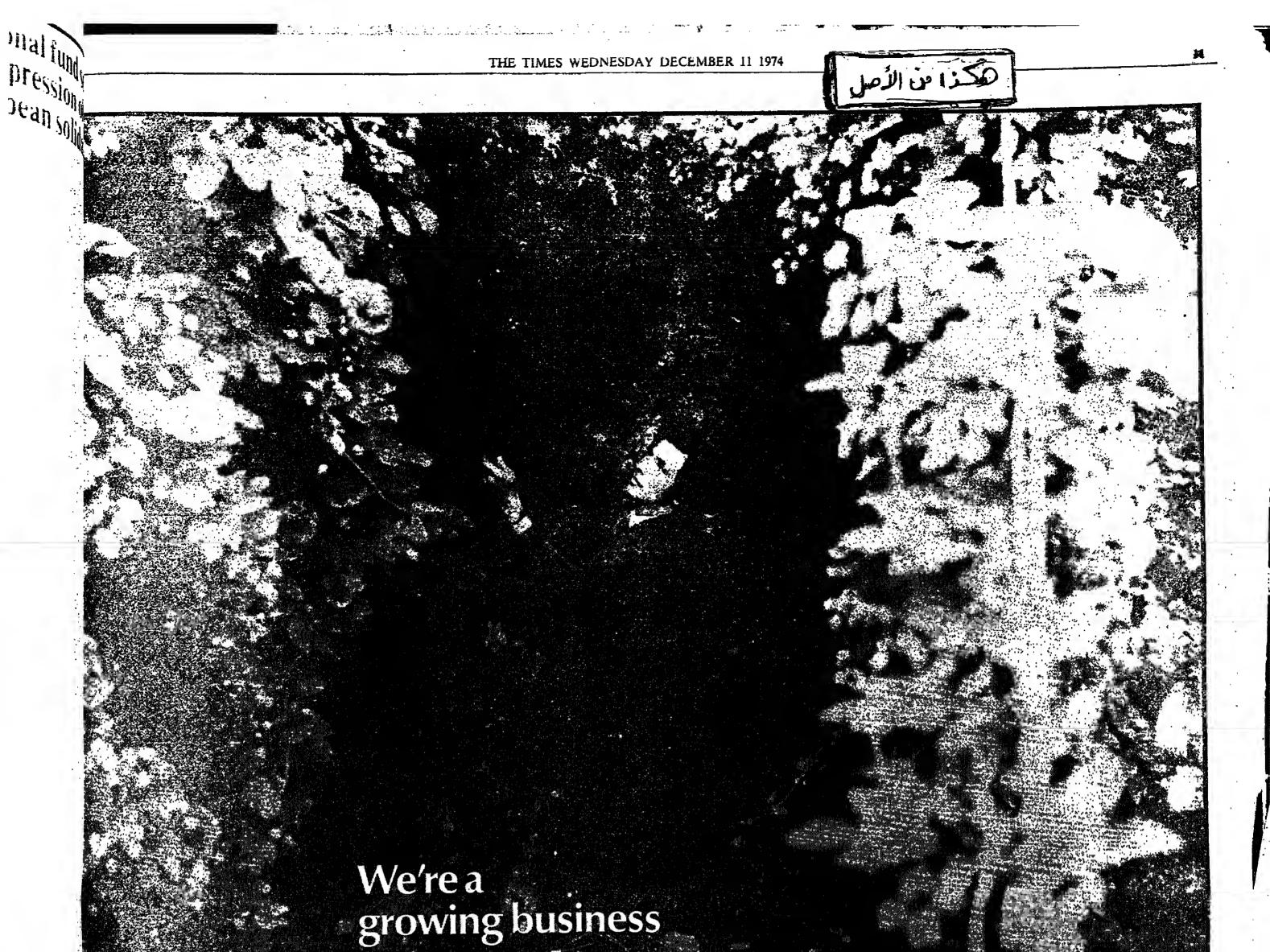
The draft Northern (Various Emergency Pr (Continuance) Order 1974 at draft Financial Provisions I ern Ireland) Order 1974

approved.
LORD OONALDSON of K BRIDGE, Under Secretar Northern Ireland, moving th draft Appropriation No (Northern Ireland) Order IS approved, said it would in statutory limits on capital c: iture on some services and or ing of the Northern Ireland ernment loans fund.

LORD BELSTEAD (C) 34 the legislation which wou forthcoming the Secretary of should consider if such should be looked at in Northcoming the should be looked at line which is the should be looked at l Ireland between the time the; drafted by government d ments there and the time the; presented at Westminster. presented at Westminster.

LORD DONALDSON of K.
BRIDGE said that Mr Rees.;
tary of State, in conjunction
Mr Short, Leader of the Comwas considering setting up
kind of Northern Ireland Co
tee. Details had not yet
released, but if Ulster was a
sented by its MPs on the co
tee this might go some wa
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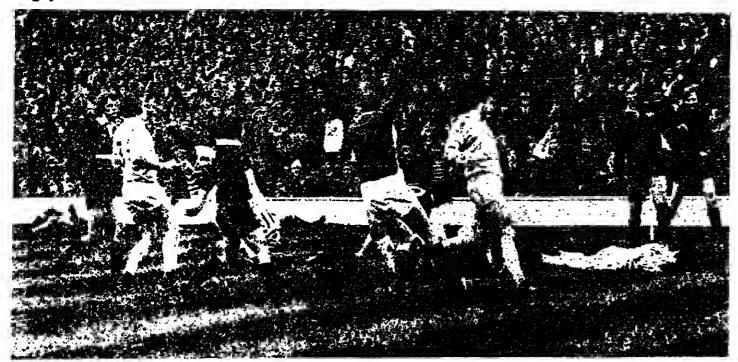
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Rugby Union



The climax of a profitable afternoon for Hignell as the full back goes over for Cambridge's second try at Twickenham yesterday.

Cambridge almost pay for their sins

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent Oxford Univ 15 Cambridge Univ 16

Cambridge scored two good tries to Oxford's none in a redblooded university match at Twickenham esterday, so that, in the end, there was no doubt that justice there was no doubt that justice was served. But, though Cambridge launched attack after attack in the second half, their backs committed enough errors in the testing wind and the side as a whole sufficient sins in the eyes of the referee for the result still to be quivering in the balance until Mr Pattinson blew the final whistle with still about a minute whistle with still about a minute of full time to go, and with no regard to extra time for several prolonged stoppages. Cambridge achieved their titled successive victory in this match by a goal, two penalty goals and a try to five penalty goals.

Crossing over with a lead of 12-6, they first saw their advaotage, for all their fierce pressure, eroded by Quinnen's third penalty goal. Having then stretched their lead again, with a try by their dashing full back, Hignell, when Glover was oriefly off for repairs, Quinzen landed two further goals to whittle down the difference to a single noiot.

Hignell went close with a penalty attempt from 45 yerds, Glover missed a drop shot for Oxford, but not by much, and Hignell pulled another kick after Waterhad been immaculate, made his one error. The catalogue of near things is not yet complete. Hignell was caught and penalised at a ruck after a solo charge from just outside his 25, and Quionen's

Scotland name

N Zealand tour

Burrell was assistant manager

on Scotland's tour of Australia in

1970 and took charge of a party when Hector Monro (Langham).

the manager, had to return home contest the general election of

Eastern Counties, south-east

the team which needs to win to keep in the hunt for a semi-final round place.

Wyatt has influenza while McKay cannot get away from his business

that year.

Boxing

manager for

kick, from 40 yards out, must have misse0 by almost a whisker. Oxford might have had one last reprieve when Kent came out of defence. The Cambridge cover was not thick on the ground and with two men outside him, including the flying Burse, he chose to kick downfield. Thus venished Burse's one opportunity of hanishing the

one opportunity of nanishing the memories of a raw, uncomfortable afternoon in defence.

Oxford must regret more bitterty that they declaned to kick at goal, when the score was three-all, from a likely position on the Cambridge 25. It seemed a strange decision at the time and one that in retruspect

The Oxford coach, leuan Jones, said afterwards they were surprised by the strength of the Cambridge pack which, through the two locks and Prant, an outstanding per-former at the tail, won the second half lineouts by a street. Thomas was a great source of strength at

was a great source of strength at close quarters, too.

It was just about level pegging in the right, where Campbell took the only strike against the bead, but, apart from an initial Oxford onslaught that put Harding and Breakey on the rack, it was Cambridge who were forever going forward in the loose in the second half and providing a stream of half and providing a stream of possession from ruck or man). The Cambridge failure fully to capitalize from it was not only a matter of faulty distribution. Harding did some excellent things but sometimes teoded to run too far himself. Breakey by then had settled down after a torrid beging in which he had his good moments but made errors under moments but made errors under pressure that Wordsworth would have been unlikely to commit. By this time, however, O'Callaghan

in the centre was making his share of mistakes and on one occasion, looking surprisingly laboured on the break. Too often, the last pass went astray or was put down.

Hamstrung by a lack of primary possession, and thus unable to go forward and dictate events, the Oxford hacks had little to feed on the longer the gome lasted but to the longer the gome lasted but to their credit were almost always ready to have a go. It was refresh-ing to see two sides in a university match wedded to enterprise and open play.

The wind blew sharply from the south-west corner, swirling inside the stands to pose surprising questions, and a light drizzle briefly was in the air as Quinnen struck the first blow with a 30 yards penalty goal that followed a furious ruck. Breakey found an opening, O'Callaghan aimost got to the line, and then Hignell kicked a penalty from close range. Cambridge mounted one attack from an Oxford put-in, won the ruck, changed direction and Wood followed his own kick ahead to nail Quinnen, from the maul, and another change, Harding fed Wood and Warfield stormed over on the light of Highest to Highest to the state. left for Hignell to kick a hand-some goal. Quinnen now missed what seemed for Oxford a crucial penalty shot from 30 yards, missed another from further affeld, hut then reduced the leeway when Cambridge stood too close to a

After 10 minutes of the second half, Quinnen hit a post with another penalty kick, Cambridge were penalised in a ruck that left Glover to retire for 11 snickes in his temple, and Quinnen then made no mistake from bang in front.

Pratt set up the maul from a lincout that sparked the second

on a dummy scissors involving both centres and the stylish Wood, though stopped by Waterman, was able to give an inside pass that set up Hignell for the last powerful thrust. No one had a more ex-ciding or profitable afternoon than flignell, a scrum half who has taken to full hack like a duck to water. A knock on hy Breakey, another ruck offence, and Quinen kicked goal No four. Yet another ruck infringement, and Quinnen made his score 15. His eventual count was five successes out of 10—Rignell's two in seven. out of 10—Rignell's two in seven.
Thomas, the Cambridge lock, had three stitches for a head injury.
Mr Pattinson distributed penalties in a ratio of almost two to the wingers. "It Mr Pattinson distributed penalties in a ratio of almost two to one against the wingers. "It wasn't me", said the referee afterwards, "who was killing the ball in the rucks."

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: J. S. Waterman Haloworth GS and St Catherino's!: P. R. Asquith (Ciliton and Balliot). C. P. Kent I Blundell's and Worcester. captain: T. R. Glover (Lancaster ROS and Lincoth). R. Burse (Canter, Keniucky and St John's!: N. J. Gulmen ist Benedict's and wordenies. Captain: T. R. Glover (Lancaster ROS and Lincoth). R. Burse (Canter, Keniucky and St John's!: N. J. Gulmen ist Benedict's one weddam!. D. S. Wackende W. Wasternoon Christians & Wackende W. Wasternoon Christians & Wackende W. Wasternoon Christians & Rose (Caroff HS and Magdalen). P. S. Rose (Caroff HS and Magdalen). P. C. Woodneed Bradford CS and Lincoth). R. A. Davis I Sydney University and Pembrokey. P. L. Kyrke-Smith I Ellesmers and Wercester, C. Shaw (Orangenelds and Ghish). J. Taylor (Lancaster ROS and St. Lendon Christians). M. O'Callaghan (Christians) Colleges and St. Lendon Lincoth HB and Ermanuel). M. O'Callaghan (Christians) (Lancaster Rose). N. Breakey (Fedlet and Christ's). R. Wasternoot (Lincoth). R. Warnel (Halleybury and St John's). T. M. R. Thomas I Llandello CS and Christ's). R. R. Edinamn (Topbridge and Trinky Hall). S. Warney Landell Captains. R. G. Pratt (Fellet and Crist's). J. Harrey (Follet and Crist's). J. J. Harrey (Follet and Crist's). J. J. R. Thomas (Crist's). J. J. Harrey (Follet and Crist's). J.

Ralston has chance to prove fitness

returns after a month's absence with a knee injury to lead Rich-mond against Rosslyn Park at the George Burrell (Gala), convener of the Scottish Rugby Union selec-Athletic ground on Saturday. Ral-ston gets the chance to prove his finess before England's final trial on December 21. He had to withdraw from the South-East team tion committee, has been appointed manager for Scotland's seven-match tour of New Zealand next summer. Bill Dickinson (Jordanhill), the national team coach—or as Scotland call him, "adviser to the captain"—will be assistant first area trial at Roebampton last Saturday.

Rosslyn Park will rely on the team that played Richmond a fort-night ago when the two teams last

Gordon Wood, the Cambridge University wing, will be to the Harlequins team against Bedforo at Twickenbam on Saturday. He takes over from Kelth Jenkins with Paul Grant resuming in the centre after trial Outy. Also back after the trial is Marin, who takes over from the 21-year-olo Purdy as Whiting's partner at lock.

group champions for the past two years, have been bit by influenza on the eve of their important county championship match against kent at Chatham today. Their first choice wings, Wyatt and McKay, have both withdrawn from

The England lock Ralston while Carroll takes over from jury, retains his place in the back eturns after a month's absence Molloy in the second row. Spring row. with a knee injury to lead Richard Rossiyn Park at the and wing three-quarter.

Moseley, with three players in the first regional trial at Head-springers of Secondary Rossiyn Rossiyn

Young,

London Irish will be without

their first choice scrum half Malioney and the international lock Molloy for their match against Molloy for their match against London Welsb at Old Deer Park, hoth are taking part in an inter-provincial match in Ireland. Jobo Frost Oepntizes for Mahoncy

ize from side which defeated Aberavon last week.

Young, the Csmbridge prop, who played in yesterday's varsity match, has joined London Welsh and will have his first game for the second team, the Druids, against London Irish Wild Geese, on Saturday. on Saturday.

on Saturday.

London Scottish bring back the British Lions wing Steele, the centre Friell and the back row forward Frazer for their game against Wasps at Sndbury.

Holden, the Saracens' lock, has injured his back and misses the visit to Old Merchant Taylors'. visit to Old Merchant laylors.
His place will be taken by Gordon
Morris, whose only other appearance for the first team was in the
corresponding fixture last season.
Oonaldson, who was a late inclusion in the side last week when Riodle pulled out because of InHorton and Grindle. The other change is at flank forward where King is preferred to Green. The stand-off Cooper,

who has missed the last two games through injury, is still Ripley, the England No 8, has withdrawn from the Miodlesex team to play Hampshire at Rich-

mond today. He has a damaged hand. His place is taken by McLean and another Harlequin. Rocks, tills the vacant lock post-Rossborough, Coventry's full

back, is a likely withdrawal from the Midland team to play the North in an England area trial at Leeds on Saturday. Rossborough is suf-fering from a hadly swollen jaw, following a knock during Coven-try's knockout match with Brad-ford last Saturday.

Squash rackets

Italian promoter offers to stage Bugner's bout

The British Boxing Board, who have one of their regular monthly meetings tomorrow, are expected to discuss whether Cane is a suitable opponent to challenge Bugner in a Bridsb ring.

The Italian promoter, Franco Bertolani, saio today that the British match-maker, Mickey Duff, had successfully bid £13,500 sterling for the bout. Bertolani was ready to offer £12,500 to put it on the Bolcome.

Modern. Dec 10.—An Italian boxing promoter said todsy that he was prepared to stage Joc Bug-ner's European Hesvyweight title weight champion, Muhammao Ali, received New York City's highest civilian award when the Mayor, Abraham Beame, presented him received New York City's highest civilian award when the Mayor, Abraham Beame, presented him with the bronze medallion at a city ball ceremony.
In screpping the medallion yesterday. Ali mennoned that he had also been bonoured by Chicago several weeks ago and quipped:

You gave me a bronze medal-ion. Mayor [Richard] Daley's was gold." Afterward Ali toured Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx, visiting several schools. Talking about future bouts to a huge crowd which greeted bim in Manhattan, Ali renewed bis oft repeated challenge to meet George Foreman and the English of the several schools. Joe Frazier on the same might for \$15m.—Reuter.

In New York the world beavy-

Managers want Poison

Accra, Dec 10.—David Polson, Ghana's new Commonwealth featherweight boxing champlon, is considering offers from British managers to prepare himself for a future chance at the world title. Bobby Naidoo, a London-hased journalist who attended Saturday's title boot against Evan Armstrong. of Scotland, as the official repre-sentative of the World Boxing Council (WBC) told a press con-ference that British managers,

whom be did not name, were in contact with American promoters about future contests for Polson. Soxing officials said the result of the championship bout would go into the record books showing that the referee stopped the contest in the tenth round, rather than as a knockout for Poison. The referee, O'Hara Jackson, of Ghana, started a count when Armstrong went down midway through the

Plea to lift ban on | New jockey for

foreign players

Milan, Italy, Dec 10.—Italy's largest newspaper, Corriere Della Sera, said today that imports of foreign players would be the only way of lifting Italism football out of the doldrams.

But it said this would hardly be acceptable at a time when Italy was suffering from inflation and unemployment. and unemployment.

Recalling that there were only 10 goals in Sunday's eight first division games, the newspaper said editorially the only answer to "this picture of general took for spotsorant. Hughes has ridden Attivo in all from China would be invited to this five races over burdles. The combination won all their three rounds picture of general combination won all their three that the application of China for affiliation to the world body of Express Triumph hurdle hut have twice been beaten this season including the last season players.—UPL

Attivo will have a new jockey in his next race at Ascot on Saturday. John Haina has been booked to ride the four-year-old booked to ride the four-year-old in the SGB Hire Shop hurdle.

The trainer Philip Mitchell said last night: "No disrespect to Robert Hughes but he rides Attivo

at work and walks him and we thought be could do with a

Unfamiliar Egyptians play lively and collective role

Ey Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent.
The Briosh amateur squash rackets championship, which begins tomorrow at Wembley, will largely be a tribal gathering of the Khans, with Anglo-Saxons and a few sundries forming, as it were, a supporting cast. In a similar way 11 mostly unfamiliar Egyptians played a lively collective role io the two-Oay qualifying compedion, which enoed last evening. They included a group of four managed by Kamal Zaghloni, a leading Egyptian player of an earlier generation. He explained yesterday that his country's presented in the group of 27 players who have qualified for vacancies in the championship draw of 64. But Stuart Courtney has scratched and a few more of the 37 men who went into the main draw are alloughtful synters. crup of players in the bope of finding an amateur team who might equal the standards set in

his own day.

The trouble, as always, is that when Egyptisus come to Britain for the first time they have difficulty in adjusting to different play-Ing conditions and different interpretations of the rules—written and unwritten. One way snd another they have caused quite a flurry in the past two days (as

Ugands are among the nations represented in the group of 27 players who have qualified for vacancies in the championship draw of 64. But Stuart Courtney has scratched and a few more of the 37 men who went into the main draw are doubtful starters. So at least one of the original 100 players in the qualifying competition will earn a spare place as a "lncky loser". Whatever the final field, there will be a strongly composition flavors to strongly cosmopolitan flavour to this first big tournament to be played in the new Wembley squash centre. But the flight to professionalism has inevitably left the field a little thio on top.

Badminton

Malaysia take on big task for world event

Kuala Lumpur, Dec 10 .- The Badounton Association of Malaysia (BAM) have received the approval of the International Badminton Federation (IBF) to stage the third world invitation championships bere from September 4 to 7 next year. It will cost approximately 250,000 Malaysian dollars to organize the championships and Mr Teh Gin Soo, the RAM secretary said that they would have to look for spousorship.

Cycling

hold slim lead in six-day race

Herning, Dec 10 .- The West German pair of Klaus Bugdahl and Dieter Kemper held a slim lead at the start of the final day of a six-day international cycle race here today. Their lead had been darrowed last night when Ferdinand Bracke and Julien Stevens, of Belgium, closed a one-lap gap and trailed only by sprint points. and trailed only by sprint points.

POSITIONS: I. K. Sugdah and D. Kemper (WG1; 2. F. Bracks and J. Stevens (Beishum; 3. O. Rither (Demarks) and L. Heupendam (Netherlands); 4. L. Mortensen (Henmarks and D. Puschel (WG); 5. N. Demar and B. Bunth (OB), at seven hops; 6. A. Della Torre and F. Alpen (May), at seven hops; 7. D. Allan and D. Purkins (Australia); at eight haps; 8. L. Losvielin and G. Fens (Beigium), at nine laps; 9. C. Prion (Netherlands) and W. de Bosscher (Beigium), at nine laps; 10. P. Pedersan and N. Fredborg (Demarks), at Al laps.

W Germans

Football

World Cup star back for Velez

From Norman Fox Dubrovnik, Dec 10

This town of the old Turkish Empire, surrounded by mountains, gives the impression that it is still gives the impression that it is still being well prepared for any lovasion. Tomorrow, on a bumpy plub in the shadow of one of the white hills, Velez, the entirely "home is grown" local football team will attempt to bring history up to date by defending the formidable home record, and the local reputation of its invincibility when they try to recover from the 3—1 defeat they received at Oerby in the first leg of the quarter-final round of the Usfa Cup.

Derby, according to their mana-ger, David Mackay, need only score one goal in the first half to seal the tie. Local feeling, and my own impression, is that be under estimates Velez, especially as today we learnt that their leading player and Yugoslavia's best Wurld Cup forward, Bajevic, will play after being out of action for several being out of action for several mainths through injury. He appeared in a league game last Sunday and was impressive, despite lack of practice. Added to that Oerby have to play without Nish in defence. The strained ankle he is a contract of the strained in defence. The strained ankie he received when he crashed into the wall surrounding the Derby pitch to the first leg is more serious than the club felt and he may not play again for several weeks. Thomas is likely to have a testing first European match, though Mr. Mackay says: "Anyone who saw him at Liverpool will know why I have no fears about him here."

Mr. Mackay said: "We have been encouraging the side to play attacking football away hut here we will have to defend. If we have to get kicked we will have to accept it. I have told the players I want no retaliation. The last thing I want is to be down

players I want no retaliation. The last thing I want is to be down to 10 men if the msuch should become physical. I would be delighted if the first bail hour is goalless. It will be a hard struggle hut I'm certain we will score a goal."

He feels that the match will be similar to the one in the second round when they played against the motorious Atletico Madrid without incident. He said: "We had no trouble with Velez until they got a goal, and then it got a bit nasty. I'm glad the player sem off at Derby, Glavovic, will not be playing." Probably it is a good thing be did not hear one local supporter says: "We bare a lot Glavovics."

Gemmill, the Derby captain.

a lot Glavorics."

Gemmill, the Derby captain, said: "I think it could get rongh, particularly if we score an early goal. But it's an important part of my job to make sure we keep control if we are provoked."

Mr Mackay and the players were not overimpressed with the Velez pitch when they trained there.

pitch when they trained there today. They said that there had been a lot of rain and divots had not been replaced. But rumours of the match being postponed are discounted. The first leg was played in conditions atrocious for both sides.

while Carroll takes over from Molloy in the secood row. Spriog and Lavery return at full back and wing three-quarter.

A former Oxford Blue, Simon Davies, makes his first team debut for London Weish. He recives his chance because the propolavid Thomas is not available, This is the only change from the come into the pack in place of the conditions atrocious for both sides. The team that Mr Mackay announced today has been changed from Saturday's game at Liverpool, meaning that Bourne remains as striker with Oavis as substitute. It has been Mr Mackay's timely use of substitutes that has taken Derhy lutto the high circles of the cline names now left in the Uefa Cup, which this season is stronger. which this season is stronger

than the European Cup.
Velez hegan as outsiders but
when they took an early lead
against Oerby they looked strong
and skilful. In Yugoslavia they and skilful. In Yugoslavia they are widely respected. They have lost only one bome game in mine and are especially popular as all hut two of their players come from the Mostar region. Their pride matched against Derby's responsibility as Britain's last representance in the Uefa promises son interesting though tough game. The return of Bajevic, called the "Prince of Mostar" and capped 32 times could make Derby's lead "Prince of Mostar" and capped 32 times could make Derhy's lead

32 times could make Derhy's lead seem a siender advantage.

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Willie Brown, 24-year-old New-port striker has joined Brentford for £5,000. Brown, who has been on a mouth's loan with Bremford, scored goals in the 3—0 win over Darlingtoo last Saturday.

Today's fixtures

UEFA CUP: Third round (arond in Valce Mostar v Berby County Texaco CUP: Final (accord in 1). Texaco CUP: Final (accord in 1). SECOND OIVESTON: Cardiff City v Falham (7.30). CHARITY MATCH: Ceitic v &cenica (8.0). SUTTRENN LEAGUE: Premier division, Rombord (100 to 1). However, 17.30. First Civiles (North: Enderby v Barry Worksop v Runcom (7.30).

Rugby Union
COUNTY CHAMPIONAHIP: Kent F
Cation Country at US Chathen
ground, 2.30: Middless v Hamsahire
it Richmond Athlete ground, 2.30:
Suson v Burrey ist Haywards Heath,
CLUB MATCH: Ebbw Vale v Massieg
17.35:

Golf

Women sign petition for open golf

Women's golf in Britain may soon go open, predicted Angela Bonallack at the annual meeding of the English Ladies' Golf Association in London yesterday. She said that a petition has been signed by 94 internadonals from England, trained. Scotland. Water and Ireland, Scotland, Wales and France for women's golf to go

Gillian Hickson, the chairman of the Ladies' Golf Union, said; "We are willing to discuss with Mrs Bonallack and anyone else the Bonallack and anyone else the question of open golf. The LGU are prepared to go fully into the idea and I am willing to ask members nf my council to invite representatives of the Royal and Ancient to be in attendance at our next annual meeting in January."

Mrs Bonallack said that women's

golf would suffer unless something was done to assist girl players.
"Many of the youngsters cannot afford the expense of playing in afford the expense of playing in more than three or four events during the year. Ooe way out would be for the up-and-coming players to be sponsored. Perhaps this is something that the LGU and R. & A could work out as soon as possible."

Mrs Bouallack continued : " It's time the R & A woke up and made it more lement for us.

Wigan expect an attendance of over 15,000 for Cup tie

By Gerry Harrison

Of the 11 non-league and amateur clubs currently working themselves into a lather for this weekend's FA Cup matches none are flexing their muscles with as much gusto as the four Northern Preouer League sides.

Altrincham, Wigan, Gateshead and Stafford Rangers carry the flag of the country's newest semi-professional league which covers an area from the Tyne in the north, down to Boston on the east coast, as far south as Stafford, as far west as Bangor on the North Wales coast. In the previous round all four

clubs were drawn away against League opposition. Wigan drew 1-1 with Shrewsbury, who are second in the fourth division, then in front of 11,860 beat them in the replay, inflicting on Shrewsbury their first defeat away from bome of the season. Altrincham drew 1—I at Scunthorpe, winning the replay 3—1. Gateshead drew 2—2 at Crewe and won 1—0 at home after extra time. Stafford disposed of Stockport by the same score after the first match had ended

Now in the second round, the step before the first and second division sides join the perty, three of them are rewarded with home tes. Wigan take on the fourth division leaders Mansfield; Stafford play third division Halifax, while Althrincham and Cateshead fight it out between themselves. while Althrincham and Gateshea fight it out between themselves. Wigan are the most ambitious of

Wigan are the most ambitions of the group, with 18 professionals, a fine ground and a consistent record of success as they plug away for league status. Thair player-manager is Brian Tiler who was in Aston Villa's League Cup final side in 1971. "We're finished in the top three of our league in the last eight years", be said.

"We expect a crowd of between 15,000 and 20,000 which could well be the biggest gate of the round. And we haven't been beaten for 27 matches now after losing the

27 matches now after losing the first game of the season.

"We were better then Shrewsbury in the last round and what surprised me was that full time training didn't give them any advantage. After a certain degree of strength has been attained I'm sure fitness is a state of mind. We play a lot, train twice a week, win a lot and our attitude is right.

"Third and fourth division clubs must soon all become part.

clubs must soon all become parttime. The sooner the better. My players are paid as much as most lo the lower leagues and they have outside jobs as well. I find that they seem to enjoy their football

they seem to enjoy their football much more than many full-nimers I played with."

Although Wigen have only 14 fit players to choose from Tiler is unlikely to pick himself. "I can't get into the side", be says. "Ian Gilliorand who plays in my position is better than I am. Our full back and captain broke his leg in the previous round but we're covered there. Mansfield are a good side, walking away with the fourth division out they'll be worried about us."

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It four competidons in which they have played 30 games Altrincham have lost only once themselves. Their home gate last weekend in the Northern Premier League was 1,280. Agains: Scunthorpe it was 4,176. Yet the club has a pool of 18 professionals and a handful of good-class amateurs to call on, as well as something few League clubs can hoast of, hooks which balance. Their fundraising is highly developed, but agelf an essential element is that agein an essential element is that the players are part-timers who. in some cases, could not afford to play for league clubs.

John Hughes, 23, for Instance,
is Altrincham's leading scorer

When he was with Bisckon was twice chosen for the Under-23 team. But now h his family garage busine Bangor and plays football break from business". He not consider becoming a fu professional again unless with one of the major Meanwhile, if he can copti sell the ndd car even on Sa mornings before a game ; as acore plenty of goal remains full and bounds

stafford were 1972 wing the PA Challenge Trophy, they were also Northern F. League champions. Gan' only recently elected to the have improved considerably last two months and are co of faring better than in an

This is an important we non-league football. Tor the Sonthern League mana: committee will decide when re-open negonations with Northern Premier Leagne other effort to establish a N Leagne of non-League club hopefully, entrance into the division for the winners.
"This is a complicated at troversial Issue", says Northern Premier League's tary Mr Gordon Graham, mesnwhile, our league whic started in 1968 grows in sn I'm not saving it's any st than the Southern Leagt shough our clubs have won Trophy four out of five year a higher standard of organ and well-qualified profe managers have put the stend: We are certain to get one chithe third round of the coo four clubs in the compediti weekend have proved a poin non-league football and part have pleuty to offer."

Weller asks Leicester for a transfer

Reith Weller, the Leicester City captain water, me Leacester City
captain and England forward, has
put in a transfer request which
will go before the directors today.
This is the climax to a period of mrest at Filbert Street after four successive league defeats which have left the club one place from the hottom of the table.

It is understood that Weller's captaincy has been a hone of con-tention with certain members of the first ream and that it was only narrowly confirmed at a recent meeting of players. Weller succeeded David Nish as captain in March. 1972 and has held the position ever sioce. Weller, who was previously with Tottenham Hotspur, Millwall, and Chelsea was signed by the manager. Jimmy Bloomfield, for £100,000 to September, 1971. He has one of three anch signings by the former Orient manager after

June that year. Weller was first capped against Wales at Cardiff in May this year. He was watched in the game against Everton on Saturday by

he had taken over at Leicester la

the Englend team manager, Don Revie. Weller has scored two goals this season since reverting to a midfield role. He said he had made the request for "personal reasons". Neither Weller nor the manager.
Jimmy Bloomfield would discuss

his transfer request when they arrived at the Middlesbrough ground last night.

Weller burried into the dressing "No comment". cither. "I bave a match on", he replied.

Portsmouth suffered an overall loss for the year ended June 30 of more than 5415,000. This sum intogether with £322,000 spent on

transfers.
The figures, which will be presented at the annual meeting on December 30, showed that the club owed the bank 5328,000. The chairman, Mr John Deacon, had lent the club a further sum of £155.000 without interest. Players' wages amounted to £154,000



Keith Weller: colleagues criticised his captaincy.

Injuries and replays may under Kevie

lujuries and League Cup replays manager Don Revie, in planning the under-23 side to play Scotland under-23 st Aberdeen next Wed-nesday, Newcastle United, whose midfield player Kennedy, bas anidfield player Kennedy, bas appeared in England's European under-23 championship matches against Czechoslovakia and Portugal this season, are m play Chester in their League Cnp quarter-final match on December 18.

With Cassidy and Hibbitt seriously injured, Newcastle may bave to rely on the cooperation of Mr Revie for the release of Kennedy. Manchester United and Middlesbrough are also to meet in their League Cup replay at Old Trafford on the same night as the under-23 international. Greenhoff, who has been affected by jojury recently, has played a part in Revie's squad for the European Arterioration. for the European championship games. But Tommy Docherty, the Manchester United manager, says that no request for Greenboff's release would be considered until it was known whether be was selected.

Since playing against Czechoslo-vakiz in the under-23 international at Crystal Palace late in October, Mills, a Middlesbrough striker, bas Mills, a Middlesorough starker, bas been struggling to overcome injury. Armstrong, a Middles-brough wioger, made bis first international appearance in Portu-gal last month. Revie will announce the England under-23 party today.

Jim Steele, of Southampton, is likely to be fit for the second leg of the Texaco Cup final at Newcastle today. Steele was unable to play in Saturday's second division game with York City because of suspected appendicids.

By Lewine Mair
David Rohertson, 17, the only player to tave been capped by Scotland at boys, youths and senior level in the one year, has turned professional. Robertson, who hopes to make his first professional appearance on the African circuit in February, will be managed by Darick Pillage of Golf Management Ltd. If, in the fulluses of time, he plays in America, Robertson will be under the umbrella of Professionals Incorporated, the Virginia-based company, whose President is that

company, whose President is that great American amateur. Vinny Giles.

It was when Robertson heard

It was when Robertson heard that he had been selected only as third reserve for next year's Walker Cup match at \$1 Andrews that the British youths champion began to think seriously about ternduating his amateur career. Though some, hecause of his age, advised the young Scot to wait s year, Ronnie Shade convinced him that he would have more to gain by furning professional straight away.

away. 'In order to improve on his present standing", explained Shade, who will accompany Robert-son on his African safari,

son on his African satari, "David would have had to win

Cup team omission leads

to change of status

Mead fights for a place in Wycombe side

Keith Mead. Wycombe Wan-derers' central oefender, is struggling to get fit for Saturadvise FA Cup second round the against Bournemouth.

Mead, who plays alongside Alan Phillips at the heart of the defence, damaged ligaments in an ankle against Ilford 11 days ago and the injury is not reprovided. and the injury is not responding

to treatment.

Mead, the director of a building company, says: "I hope I'll be fit because I'm looking forward to the match so much. We have a very good chance of going through. We have so much skill in the side and we are unbeaten at bome since Peterborough knocked us out of the Cup this time last season

"The sides are fairly eventy matched but the crowd could olt the balance our way."

Wycombe, Rothmans Isthmian League champions, have reached the third round four times since 1957 and are in confident mood. "We had a team talk on Sun-"We had a team talk on Sunday to Oiscuss Bournemooth's strengths and weaknesses", added Mead. "Now I must just wait and bope I'll be able to play against my old pal John Delaney."

Two years ago Wycombe beat a Bournemouth team which included Boyer, Machin and Benson, all currently with Norwich City.

Police have set a 12,000 limit

No Cruyff for Celtic

Dutch star. Johan Cruyff. has failed m recover from an ankle in lury and will be unable to guest for Celdc in their charity match against Benfica. of Portugal. In Glasgow tonight. Benfica will be without Eusebio.

the Scottish. If he failed to get

results of this calibre his bargaining power at the end of the year would probably be nowberd near as good as it is at the present time."

Another factor which prompted such swift action was that the Robertson family were worried

that he would inse some of his en-

thusiasm by lingering in the amateur game after his Walker Cup Oisappointment.

Robertson, who has been given a reo-year contract to play Goudie clubs, which is worth, one gathers,

around £2,000, is currently working

some three to four hours every day on his pluthing and putting. Another area in which he is determined to improve is in the matter of concentration. Tony Jackin having observed, during a recent pro-am at Turnberry, that Robertson was far too easily distracted.

Supporters to be caged in at York

Mancbester United supp will be caged in when Unite at York on December 21. men are erecting an eight for metal fence to seal off 1 Olive's Road end of Bootham Crescent ground.

The game is all ricket. 4 17.000 capacity, and all the bickets for the Sr Olive's Roshave Sone to Namchester. bave gone to Manchester.

The fence will ruo the withe ground, so the United

porters will be unable to a York decided to creet the after the United fans ran the plach at Hillsborough on

George Teasdale, the York retary, said plenty of dekers left. "I think this is because people may bave been frigh by reports of hooliganism. the erection of this sbould do a lot to allay the

Porterfield said to be improvin

lan Porterfield, a Sunoe midfield player, who was a red to hospital with a frac skull after a car acciden Ssturday night, was stated with the state of the caste General Howarial for after being transferred to the casde General Hospital for emergency brain operation.

The team manager, Bob St. said: "The news has taken a off our minds. I called in night and again this mount that with him. He's coming indically and everyone at the htal is quite pleased with his didon. It's just a matter of now."

Skiing

Collombin may be fit for Garmisch even

Bern, Dec 10 .- The Swiss de hill expert, Roland Collombin, hill expert, Roland Collombin, was injored in the downhill at Val d'Isère on Sunday, may cover in time to resume skiin the beginning of January. Switzerland's Ski federation

tor Françols Kuffer, today Collombin wearing a right co slight cerebral shock, facial and a slight compression vertebra.

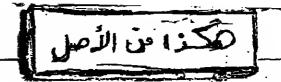
Collombin will be unable to part in the downbill event a Moritz on December 17 or other races this year, but he be fit in time for the World downhill race at Garmisch in beginning of January, said Kuffer. He rold Collombia to port back for another medical amins bon on December 19.—L

Maribor, Yugosisvia, Dec 10 The women's World Cun gi slalom has been postponed to Ja ary 19, because of shortage snow.—AP.

Asked to compare Robertson with Bernard Gallacher at the same stage, Shade observed that Robertson had a grester variety of shots: "Bernard, as an amateur, hooked almost everything whereas David can move the ball either way. Only time well tell, however, whether David is the competitor that Bernard is, and has the Boxing

New York: Heavyweight rounds): Mike Quarry best Per that Bernard is, and has the

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b (right) shows his injured hand to Taylor (left) and Cowdrey at Perth yesterday.

owdrey likely to play in Test as jury list continues to grow

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soce inomsob hit him on it shane is a hairline fracture, sepeo the gloom, MCC were in by Weslern Australia by his reming, the first her have lost to the youngest as, of course, fur just such nergeocy as MCC now face lowdrey, with all his experiwas sent for. Whatever the ilians may say about his age is none in England, not even it, who would have a better 2 of successfully making the e from a Surrey fireside to und and fury of an Australia and fury of an Australia and fury of an Australia and Ferth and op to find be was, ay he has been getting omed to the light. This takes time, especially in where the air is particularly and clear—in the ners and anching practice. Bowling to

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hard Hutton has resigned Yorkshire County Cricket and severed a 40-year family

signs

Most counties, I think, would have made a better show of scoring the 298 runs which MCC needed to win in 25S minutes. Nothing happened to suggest that Luckhurst had learnt anything whatever from his last three dismissals—all caught at slip or behind the wicket

on a pitch that was still so good this afternoon that MCC's collapse from 125 for two to 177 all uncould be accumined for only by thoroughly poor betting and the fact than nothing seemed much to matter by comparison with the efforts being made 10 get a side into the field on Friday.

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India left without a captain on eve of Test match

New Delhi, Dec 10.—India, already one down in the series and hard-hit by injuries, will start the second Test match against West Indies here tomorrow with the odds against them. West Indies also have their problems with the fast bowlet Holder declared unfit but overall their worries are slight

odds against them. West themes also have their problems with the fast bowlet Holder declared unfit to mpared with those of India.

Both sides are expected to delay their final choice of team until shortly before the start. India also have to select a captain as finger injuries have pot obt oth the original choice. Nansur Ali Khan Pataudi, and his replacement, Somii Gavaskar. Sports writers here have variously advocated Bishen Bedi. Venkataraghavan, Prasama and Engineer for the captaincy but the loss of Gavaskar as on opening basmab is even more serious than the problems over the leadership. Despite two small scores in the first Test at Bangalore, Gavaskar, small and slightly built, from Bombay, is a proven international player. It was against the same expected to delay their final choice. Nansur Ali Khan Pataudi, and his replacement, Sports writers here in

Sudhir Naik, who played one Test against England on tour earlier this year, is expected to open either with Kanitkar, promoted from No 3, or Engineer, who has recovered from an eye injury sostained in Bangalore.

A likely new cap is Parthasarathy Sharma, a 26-year-old right-hand batsman from Rajasthan, who made an impressive 83 against the touring team for the Presidents XI earlier this month.

Bedi bas settled his dispute with the hoard of control and the slow left-arm bowler is certain to return to the side.

It is expected that Murray will gain his first Test cap with the slow left-arm spinner Willett left INDIA (from): S. Abid Ali, B. S. Redi, B. S. Chandrasekhar. P. M. Engineer, A. K. Gaekwad, S. H. M. Kirmani, H. S. Kanitkar, S. S. Natk, B. P. Patel, E. A. S. Prasanna, E. D. Solkar, P. Sharma, S. Venkataraghavan, G. R. Viswanath.

WEST INDIES (from): C. H.
Lloyd, R. C. Fredericks, C. G.
Greenidge, A. I. Kallicharrau,
V. A. Richards, D. L. Murray,
B. D. Julien, K. D. Boyce, L. R.
Gihbs, A. M. E. Roberts, D. A.
Murray, E. T. Willett—Reuter

'ilas scores comfortable ictory over Newcombe

Nelbourne, Dec 10.—Guilleroto as, of Argentina, surprise wing of the 1974 grand prix series, aboued his brilliant run by feating the Australian John woombe in his opening match of masters' tournament bere

Vilss took only 77 minutes to ople Newcombe 6-4, 7-6, ter the match Newcombe, juint murite with flie Nastase, of mania, for the masters title, scribed Vilas as on a par with a American Jimmy Connors, nner of the Wimbledon, United aleg and Australian titles this ar.

The eight-man tuurnament bere being played on a round-tobin usis in the opening stage, with c top two players in each group four qualifying for the semi-

nais.

In other matches today, Bjorn org, of Sweden, heat Onny arun, of New Zealand, 3—6, —3, 10—8. Nastase defeated Raul amirez, of Mexico, 6—4, 2—6, —3, and Manuel Orantes, of pain, beat Harald Solomon, 6—1,

The top eight in the grand prix tandings were eligible for the sasters' event, and though Conors qualified he is not competing, aving confied officials that he underguing dental treatment in America.

Newcombe was not among the eading group in the grand prix

but got into the masters because the host cooping is permitted one representative. The 30-year-old former Wimble-The 30-year-old former Wimble-don champion has been troubled recently with various allments including a torn rib muscle, but on Sanday he declared himself fit after a bard practice

He was confidently expected to defeat Vilas, who has had little experience on grass, the surface being used for the masters. When Vilas last met Newcombe, in Louisville 16 months ago, the Australian woo 6—3, 7—6, but today Vilas was always on top.

He completely overpowered Newcombe with his powerful service display and unleashed the hest backhand seen at the Kooyong courts since Rod Laver at his best. He had 11 aces and forced Newcombe into a string of volleying errors with a brilliant lefthand return of service.-Agencies.

Idle appeals

Graham Idle. Bramley's second row forward, is appealing against the transfer fee of £12,000 placed on him by the club. His plea for a redoction will be considered by the Rugby League's executive committee at their January

Dibley falls in the second round to Menon

Perth, Dec 10.—Sashi Menon, of Indis, provided the first shock of the Western Australia championships here rodsy by heating the Australian Colin Dibley. Menon, 22, outplayed the powerful Dibley, the fourth seed and last year's winner, whose extremely fast service let him down this time.

"I just concentrated on

vice let him down this time.

"I just concentrated on getting the hall back all the time and let him make the errors". Menon said later, Menon is ranked equal third in India behind the Amritraj brothers, having beaten Anand in the semifinals of this year's Indian championships only to lose to Vijay in the final. the final.

The top seed Alex Metreveli, of

the Soviet Union, is still the favourite and has reached the third round, his only game being a comfortable 6—2, 6—2 win over Peter Dyson, of Australia. Peter Dyson, of Australia.

Margaret Court, the third seed, in the women's singles, took just over 50 minutes to eliminate Frederique Thibault, of France.

Mrs Court raced to 8 5—1 lead MSN'S SINGLES, second round: G. Maslers beal G. Casa I France.

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By Michael Phillips Racing Coresponden A big gathering that was truly representative of the racing fraternity in this country crowded the Dorchester Hutei in London yesterday to watch Lord Derby present his awards for 1974. These awards, which are made annually are in fact voted for, and given by the Horserace Writers and Reporters Association, and yesterday was the occasion of their annual luncheod. Donald McCain and Richard Pitman, is Mailonal Hont trainer and jockey: Peter Walwyn and Patrick Eddery as their connterparts on the fact: and Peter O'Sullevan and Tom Cosprove as owner and writer respectively were the recipients on this occasion. Lord Derby said that he hoped

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Lord Derby said that he hoped very much that 1978 will see Red Rum and Crisp at loggerheads once again at Liverpool in the spring. He was of course, referring to the Grand Nadonal. Few, he added, who watched their race there two years ago, were ever likely to forget it. Red Rum has of course won the Grand National again in the meantime, and Lord Derby spoke for us all when he said that he hoped very much that Red Rum would try to create a record and win it three times.

Red Rum is now resting and his training in the New Year will be hasically oo the same libes as it was last year when he had two races hefore the Grand National. McCain added that he does not envisage running Red Rum before the first week in February at the earliest. Red Rum, the first horse to have won the Grand National twice since Reynoldstown did so in 1935 and 1936, is, according to his trainer, in the pink of health. So too is his old rival Crisp I am hapy to report. His rider, Piman confirmed that Crisp's forelegs have felt marvellous since his race at Cheltenham last Saturday, the acid test of a horse whose tendums have been operated upon. The idea is still to run Crisp again this month, preferably at Newhury on December 28, In the Mandarin Steeplechase.

McCain's handling of Red Rum during the wast two years has heen

Steeplechase.

McCain's bandling of Red Rum during the past two years has been admired as much as Pitman's riding of Fred Winner's borses and that was why they were where they were, yesterday, saluted by one and all ou the rostrum.

Walwyn and Eddery, in league now at Seven Barrows, and both champions at the end of the recent flat racing season, also thorongity deserved their awards. Walwyn was there to receive his trophy but

deserved their awards. Walwyn was there to receive his trophy but Eddecy is in Hongkong so his brother Michael, who lost a leg after an awful accident whilst race riding at Newcastle two years ago. accepted the trophy on behalf of his brother, the new champion jockey. Pat, he said, rode the winner of the South African 1,000 Cuineas last month and has got off Cuineas last month and has got off to a good start in Hongkong with three winners in the bag

three winners in the bag
Without obviously wishing to commit himself at such an early stage Walwyn assured his host of followers that his borses are well, and that Grundy, the winter favourile for the 2,000 Guineas and the highest weighted colt in our Free Handicap, is in excellent fettle. Having won the Oaks with Polygamy, the Irish Sweeps Derhy with English Prince, saddled more winners than anyone else in this country and won more prize money country and won more prize money here than anyone else, Walwyn ended his most momentous season with no fewer that 11 two-year-olds in the Free Handicap which comprises the top 100.

Eddery will be around for a long while yet. No one will pretend yet that be is as good as Lester Piggott but on the other hand no one can smother the fact that Piggott was 25 when he first became champion

Teesside Park results

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TOTE DOUBLE: Young Senters and Portholme. £50.20. TREBLE: Jane Again. Metry Crown and Marshall Ki-F78.60.

A victory for Old Vince would not be out of turn at Kelso

By Michael Seely
With Kelso being the only meeting scheduled to take place in Great Britain today racing now enters its traditionally quiet period before Christmas. Tomorrow events continue to a minor key with programmes at Carlisle and Uttoxeter, while on Friday large fields of moderare horses will confron the starter at the Devon and Exeter meeting where 151 runners have been declared at the four day acceptance stage. On Saturday the tempo of interest quickens and there will be compeniate cards at Ascot, Nottingbam and Catterick

there will be compeniave cards at Ascot, Nottingbam and Catterick Bridge.

Chlef interest will be focused on Ascot where the centrepiece is, the SGB Handicap Sreeplechase with 16,000 added. Crisp, Soothsayer and Ten Up are the big names that have been entered, but none of these is likely to run. After Crisp had delighted Fred Winter on his reappearance behind Gardishee at Cheltenham, the trainer said that he was going to wait for a few days before making a decision as to future running plans. Soothsayer is already amounced as a certain runner against his stable companion, Pendil in the King George VI Steeplechase at Kempton Park nn Boxing Day and what a fascinating clash of talent this promises to be. Teo Up, Anne Duchess of Westminster's hrilliant winner of the Son Alliance Steeplechase at the Nasional Hunt meet winner of the San Alliance Steeple-chase at the National Hunt meeting, gained many new admirers when second to Cottage King at Navap and is expected to wip at Punchestown on Saturday.

Kelso programme

12.15 EARLSTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£170 : 2m)

1604g-p Hassendean Burn (CB) | W. Forsier | Forsier | 12-11-11

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6 00000-0 Indian Fort (D) IK. Sullon: Sullon. 5-10-8.
7 921040 Releaser (D) IK. Sullon: Sullon. 5-10-1.
8 900 Ankerwyke IMFS Collins: Collins. 5-10-0.... A. McMana 11-10 Toughle, 5-2 Racionzer, II-2 Hassendean Burn, 5-1 Jo Churn, 12-1 others.

12.45 ST BOSWELLS HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE (£374; 2m

11 00f0-04 Old Vince (D1 (W. Thyne), C. Bell, 5-10-1 T. Stack
12 0-0042 Mountain flew (O) (T. Gillam), idilam, 6-10-0, ... 0. Goliding
13 400-202 Fine Talk (D) (Mrs. ingham), B. Wikinson, 5-10-0 J James
15 00p0 Upydowny (W. Manners), Manners, 6-10-0, ... O Turnbull 7
9-3 Old Vince, 110-20 Cav Perch, 9-2 Infantryman, 11-2 Mountain Dew, R-1 Brief Chance, 12-1 Oevils Soldier, 16-1 Low Pastures, Coleraine, 20-1 others.

2 1f1-440 Celvain ID) (Sir O. Cameron), K. Oliver, S-11-1 , R. Rarry S 431-0p2 King's Lure (D) ID. Toddi O. Richards, 10-11-0 ... J. B'Neill O 0-33134 Stag Party (CD) IMTS Pithani, B. Wilkinson, 6-10-6 D. Alkins

1.45 LAUDER HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE (£374: 3m)

Cay Perch (D) 1H. Smart, G. Richards, 8-12-0 ... J. Il Nelli Low Pasturea (CD) 1J. Aider, Aider, 1-11-7 ... Yr J. Aider St Benedict [D) 1R. Johnson to Denys Smith, 8-10-13 ... Mr H. Joinson Devil's Soldier fol 1R. Boland W. Aikinson, d-10-11 P. Mangan Coleraino (D) 1G. Hall, V. Thompson, d-10-11 P. Mangan Swife Chance 1T. Crajej, Cruls, 4-10-1 ... J. Mooney 7 Infantryman (CO) Lady Reay: W. A. Siephensgn, 5-10-1 7. Stack

1.15 IOHN MITCHELL HANDICAP HURDLE (£847: 2m)

while up in Durham and Scotland. Tartad Ace and Tree-Cee-Ree are being prepared for Ibeir long trip to Ascot. Game Spirit has enhanced his reputation in defeat in his only two runs this seasoo. After going under by only half a length to Pendil, from whom he was receiving 4lb, he was attempting an impossible task at the weights when finishing fuurth to Bruslee. Soothsayer and High Ken in the Mackeson Gold Cup.

Credibility is Winter's selected runder and Arthur Stephenson sends Tartad Ace, who gave such a spirited account of himself when attacking Pendil nn the long run from the last fence at Haydock Park in the Sundew Steeplechase. Although Stephenson considers that Tartan Ace was flattered by this effort and that Pendil scored with any amount in hand the seven-year-old is aproaching his hest and must be considered well handicapped. All in all, the SGB Steeplechase has the makings uf an interesting contest. an interesting contest.

The Ascot exerutive are feature

The Ascot exerutive are featuring strong support for their main event with the Long Walk Hurdle, a race for stayers run over three miles. This race has £3,000 added while another £2,500 goes to the SGB Hire Shop Hurdle also a conditions race but this one is run over two miles. This race has attracted several good class hurdlers. Tree Tangle, Attivo and Supreme Halo are all likely starters and Roo Barry will ride Canadius for Gordon Richards provided that the ground does not ride too heavy.

Punchestown on Saturday.

Despite the absence of the stars the Ascot race has altracted several up-and-coming young steeplechasers and these are all intended runners. Game Spirit, Money Market and Credibility are all under orders from the South last week hut had badly hampered

the secund and was disqualified after a stewards' inquiry. As the favourite, Temple Rise was six lengths away io third place the five-year-old must be considered as a good winner without a penalty and with only 10st to carry is specially recommended.

While a victory for Old Vince would give local supporters a hoost as the gelding is trained at Hawick pear by, by Harry Eell, it may be the turn of Yorkshire to the Si aloswell's Handicap Steeplechase. Their representative here is Polar Bear trained by Anthony Gillam at Ripon. Although Polar Bear has top weight of 12st to carry, he is useful in this kind of company and it thought that David Goulding rather over did the waiting racdes on the eight-year-old at Ayr last time out when he finished fourth to Duffle Coat. Polar Bear always needs two or three traces to find his best form and should now be reaching his peak. Twice a winner on this course last year, Polar Bear should have too much speed for such as Lothian arig and Mr Bee.

End of great career in French racing

From Pierre Guillot Freoch Racing Correspondent Paris, Dec 10

Marcel aoussac is expected in annunce his resignation from the presidency of the Societé d'Eccouragement, the ruling body of French racing, tomorrow. Previously the most successful race horse owner and breeder France has known, he was elected 15 years

ago.

During his period in office be has presided over a healthy transformation of the sport.

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Carlisle inspection

The stervards will inspect Carlisle racecourse at moon today to decide whether tomorrow's meeting takes place. The clerk of the course, Kin Patterson said: "Parts of the track are waterlogged, the weather is sull had and the going is heavy."

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He recently refused an ofter of 1470,000 for his best horse. Dankaro, and the coll remains in training for next season. His successor as president should be known this week. Baron Guy de Rotschild and Hubert de Chauden at the strongest candidates with the Duc de Noailles a tikely outsider.

9100-11 Lingus [C] (E. Rell), K. Oliver, 9-10-0 C., Tinkler 2021-41 Kirlishead [D] (Mrs Tinning), W. A. Sieplienson, 8-10-2 T. Slack 003300 Kildrumy (Mrs Green), W. Crawlord, 9-10-0 17-9 Lingus, 9-1 Kittlehead, 4-1 King's Lure, 11-2 Stag Party, 10-1 Guivair 20-1 Kildrumne

2.15 GATTONSIDE STEEPLECHASE (£204 : 2m 6f)

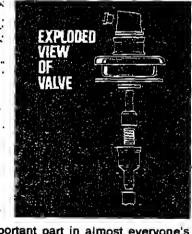
2.45 EIRGHAM HURDLE (£204 : 2m)

On L'Aiglen 1D; J. Talbraith: T Page, 5-12-1 Mr N Traker 60 Eallysestrel i Mrs Oarling: W. Crawford, 5-11-5 Mr N Traker 19-0 Le Doyce (Sir H. Frascri, Mrs Chemore, 5-11-5 , P. Bragan 1-32 Lunarvillo (H. Blythe): K. Oliver, 5-11-5 (Philair 1000 More Woyward (H. Chalmers-Watson): W. Crawford, 5-11-5

Kelso selections

By Our Racing Staff 12.15 Toughie. 12.45 Polar Bear. 1.15 OLD VINCE is specially recom-mended. 1.45 Lingus. 2.15 Fly Bye. 2.45 L'Algion.





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Teheran's film festival: best of a respectable year

It is an axiom that capital cities are the worst places for film festivals—with all the difficulties of communication and transportation, of finding unified locales for showing and accommodation, of competing with all the other urban attractions. Teheran, already struggling with the problems of its immense explosion of popula-linn and prosperity, deafened and bewildered by uncontrolled traffic which shatters the oriental screnity of the streets, presents even graver difficulties than Lundon or Vienna.
The festival, now in its third

year, has great resources of money, good will, good intentions and high ambitions. It also treats its guests to the marvels of Parsepolis, Isfahan and Shiraz, which would make the long journey worth while even without the films. But the adnullified when, for instance, the emire press corps must he housed-or rather skinwrecked -in a defeated nld hotel in which every kind of communica-tion (relentance, telex or simple message-raking-has collapsed into non-existence.

Again, a major attraction of Teheran is in theory the possi-bility of discovering Iran's clearly ensiderable new wave nf young directors; and indeed there were screenings of films by no fewer than 18 new film-makers of evident talent. Yet the showings were withnot either sub-titles or translation. and in the general chang there were no possibilities of meeting the film-makers themselves.

Despite the frustratioos, Teheran certainly gets a good selection of films. A "Festi-val of Festivals" brough together the best of a respec-able year—the now familiar reperiory of works like Amar-cord, The Earth is Our Sinful Song, 25 Firemun Sircet, Lancelot du Luc, all of which have been seen in Landon. There was a tribute to William Wyler, which introduced Mrs Miniver as well as lu an unsuspecting Arab audience; and a selective retrospective of the works of Miklos Jancsó, which might be regarded as remarkable in a country where revolutionary seotiments and such symbols as red rosettes on pistols are not red rosettes on pistols are not red rosettes of their own eyes exactly encouraged. A Festival of Asian Cinema included films by Kurosawa, Saryajit Ray and Lester Peries (a stylish little murder story called *The Trea-*ure), as well as a film from Red China, Pinc Ridge, a revolutionary melodrama with the Thoughts of Mao saving the

The high point of the festival, inevitably, was Bunuel's Le Fantoine de la liberté (shown hors concours). The old master is at his most light and playful filmed novel—by Claude Neron and teasing, with the easy dex—which confirms misgivings terity of misc-en-scene more about Sautet's earlier films.
Sunning than ever. There are A Franco-Swiss production,
surrealist inconsequences — a Le Milieu du Monde, on the

Pelléas et Mélisande

Václav Kaşlík's production of

Debussy's opera was revived once with its original cast. This

month it returns with an almost new set of principals and a new conductor, the Royal Opera's music director, Colin Davis, who

has already conducted it at the Metropolitan in New York, Mon-

day's performance bad its share of captivating and sensi-tive moments but did not, as a

whole, quite live up to high expectations.

her gently charming stage personality and silvery vocal quality. She touched the heart with her singing, in her scenes with Pelleas and in the death

scene; but she made Mélisande

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lu a profession where man-nerisms are too often taken for insight, Thomas Igloi is a musi-cian's cellist: no histrionics, no

exaggerated bowing, oo finger-snapping on the finger hoard Instead, one bas a thoughtful,

uncomplicated instrumentalist

of sure technique and sound

Ileaos Cotrubas, for example. seems a born Mélisande with

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Le Fantôme de la liberté—Buñuel's return to surrealism

urban hedroom: gendarmes transformed to malicious schoolchildren: a telephone beside a cuffin for easy communication from the grave; and revolution ("A has la liherté!") among the beasts in Vincennes 200.

There are tales which are left maddeningly suspended in nudair, and games of "Let's suppose": suppose, for instance, that picture postcards of Paris monuments produced the same social shock as pornography; or the evidence of their own eyes ta lovely sequence in which, despite a child's protestations, her parents and friends insist that she has disappeared). It is a wild and wenderful night flight with Eunuel's incomparable imagination.

Another French entry, Claude Sautet's l'incent, François, Paul et les autres, is embarrassingly full uf stars (Montand, Piccoli, Audran et les autress deeply uncomfortable in an over-hearty

procession of ostricbes, hens other hand entirely maintains and posimen through a sub- the promise of Alain Tanner's earlier films, Le Salamandre and Retour de l'Afrique. Here he tells, through a subile pro-gression of sharp, pointed episodes, the progress of the anour fou of an ambitious young politician who blindly sacrifices home and career to an infatuation for a young waitress. The place (the French Jura), the winter atmospheres, the people and the passion are perfectly inte-grated; and Tanner's work with actors is near faultless: Olimpia

Carlisi won the festival's actress A new Kjell Grede film, A Simple Melody, is rather the mixture as before (in Hugo and Josefin, Harry Munter and Klaro Lust): hrilliant moments and insights, and nice hits of comedy, separated by wastes of whimsy. The strength of this one lies in the charming comedy performance of Kiell Bergovist as an enthusiastically, dis-astrously willing apprentice

Comedy in fact is rare enough

creates his own team. Stylishly, photographed by Elemer Rogalyi, another of Hungary's star camerameo, it is an elegant pastiche of the slapstick era, though the joke gets a bit weary after the first half-hour or so.

The major award of the festival went (against limited competition) to a strange, imperfect, subversive Iranian film, Babram Farmanara's Prince Ehtedjob, which relates the death of an old princeling, the last of a splen-did and decadent line, who recalls the glorious and inhuman past. Coughing away in bereditary ruherculosis, ha ponders how times and murder have changed. His grandfather, as by right, committed his murders with his own hands. His father improved on this by using machine guns and agents; but Prince Entediab himself, killing his wife hy psychological cruelty,

has perfected things.
Another Transan director of outstanding promise, Bahram Belza'l is known already for Downpour, a gentle, neo-realist study of the difficulties of a young teacher with dreadful following his great sneech to the 1954 Christian Democrat for the sister of one of his pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog. are always apparent: the old masters can still come up trumps.

A party for old friends

A party friends Dograpour, a gentle, neo-realist in festivals to he particularly welcome, and the Hungarian entry, Pal Saudor's Football of the Good Old Days, earned a special jury prime for its goodnatured nostalgic fun about a football-crazy laundry man whose troubles hegin when he young teacher with dreading teacher with discipline and a fancy pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog, reveals an altogether different with discipline and a fancy pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog, reveals an altogether different with discipline and a fancy pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog, reveals an altogether different with discipline and a fancy pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog, reveals an altogether different with discipline and a fancy pupils. This year's competition film, The Stranger and the Fog, reveals an altogether different with a fancy pupils. This year's competition for the following teacher with the following

tions between a mysterious stranger and a remote fishing community, it is marvellouslooking, fatally over-long, but (even without translation;

hypnotic. Among the short films was another striking Iranian entry, Kamran Shirdel's The Night it Rained. Suppressed for seven years until now, this is a Pirandellian approach to decumentary, as Soirdel probes the truth of a real-life incident in which a small boy saved a train from disaster, only to have the credit for his feat fought over by corrupt bureaucrats and crnoked newsmen.

Finally, presented nors concours, was a film which is likely to remain a rarity, in view of the somewhal local reference of its content: Roberto Rosse-leini's Year Onc. In the cool style of reconstruction of Viva Pitalia! and La Prise du pouvoir nar Louise XIV. Rosseleini relates the political career of De Gasperi (played by Luigi Van-nucci) from the Via Rassella massacre in 1944 to De Gasperi's death 10 years later.

Clowns on the Road

Shaw

and take to the road. Given the Liverpool bias (Roger McGough, Brian Patten, and Andy Roherts, the founder of Liverpool Scene), and the fact that Grimms are now in their fifth year, you can imagine the atmosphere; a party for old friends with nothing much to lose if people don't like the show, and a meeting point for various elements in the pop scene.

The Shaw Theatre is not the likeliest venue for a gig, which may explain why Monday's may explain why Monday's party never really got going. Another explanation is the curious pop division between musical hrutality and verbal gentleness. With John Halsey and Zoot Money (late of the Big Roll Band) straining the Shaw's electrical budget to the limit with ear-drum killers like "Coming On Strong", what chance does the faun-like Mr Patten have with bis soft-spoken fables about angels' wings and lonely telephone calls? The

voice is inimitable, but by the time you have got adjusted to it (amid background plinks and plooks) the bass guitars are roaring off on another mission.

Irving Wardle

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Is uppose the charm of Patten and McGough lies in the fact that they are writers and not professional performers; but the spoken material, particularly the lameably nosediving sketches, could do with a hit of arrogance to stand up to the competition. The arrically much the most effective episode is the most effective episode is the most effective episode. a hit of arrogance to stand up to the competition. Theatrically much the most effective episode is the most crudely written: ao iovasion by a masked Geordie versifier who launches into a series of oature lyrics each of which ends with thumping phallic climax, until he is carried away struggling by the rest of the company. This amounts to the only real moment of clowning in the show.

Otherwise there is some fine country music from Andy Williams, whose own lyrics build beautifully with repetition; particularly in a mock-patriotic particularly in a mock-parriotic ballad in which he prepares to coofront the enemy by burying his guitar in the back garden. John Gorman (alias PC Plod) contributes a uicely garhled Ulster sermon on Genesis; and Mr McGough's Merseyside haikus bring a welcome cootrust to Mr Patten's rambling fables. I enjoyed the story of fables. I enjoyed the story of Elsie who liked standing on street coroers, and cootracted with ease a strange disease not-withstanding.

Festival Hall

Assembling a pride of keyboard lions seems a well-tried Larrocha, Lill, Lupu, Ogdon, Ohlsson, Vasary and Vazsonyi items, with Victor Borge as ring-master, in aid of the International Piano Library.

The cause was admirable. ments, records, cylinders, tapes, photos, letters, in fact larger building in New York, and premises in London where

out-tears was immediately made clear in a brilliant "accidentprone" encore of Beethoven's
Ruins of Athens after an impediately made some of the notices oo this page are reprinted from yespeccable first time rendering terday's later editions.

on eight keyboards, atill more in Victor Borge's own duet ver-sion—arms and legs much en-tangled with his partner—of Lizzt's second Hungarian Rhapsidy, or perhaps best of all, when two little eightcenth-ceotury schoolgirls to plaits and sbort silk party frocks (Gina Bachauer and Alicia de Larrocha) came on with their pro-American way of raising chapter and Aucta de LarroAmerican way of raising money for charity. Though in England the idea is newer, a big audience arrived on Monday approus manner. Medek's to hear Bachauer, Bishop, Battagliu alln Turca for two Boler, Cherkassky, Darre, pianos, otherwise mock-modern Larrochs, Lill, Lupu, Ogdon, Mozart, brilliantly done by Lill and Ogdon, and Shehedrin's solo Humoresque, with Radu giving their services in any- Lupu an inspired peasant-in-histhing from two to 16-banded cups were other welcome larks. the past were established by Cherkassky, Darre, Vazsonyi and Bolet in startling show-pieces or transcriptions by Designed to preserve instru- their teachers Hofmann, Saint Saens, Dohnanyi and Godowsky. And Glazounov's solo version of the Romanza from Chopin's E world's great keyboard per-double formers, the library needs a larger building in New York hearsal, but Vasary and Vaz-sonyi bad bothered to memorize their suggestively coloured account of Dehussy's Ravel-transcribed Fetes.

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ndy, rather careful reading. like a ray of sunlight out of Evethoreo describes this work dark accompaniment at the end what is yet lacking.

a harder, more calculating girl than the fey creature of Debussy's music (and, surely, Maeterlinck's play). Perhaps ber reading will grow softer to match her Pelléas, who is Richard Stilwell. Devotees of this wonderful npera will argue for hours about the relative merits of tenor and haritone Pelléases. In 1969 Boulez chose George Shirley, a tenor with a strong low register. Colin Davis has opted for Mr Stilwell, a bari-Photograph by Anthony Crickmay opted for Mr Stilwell, a baritone with an easy top register, bandsomely used to the scene on the hattlements, and the episode with Melisande's hair. He is a tall, very good-looking and boyish Pelleas who sings attractive and clear French. Richard Stillwell and Ileana Cotrubas impersonation that does not played, and the final love scene really belong to Debussy's (including an ecstatic soft opera.

Yet perhaps this was the red-bot pokers), and the under-Golaud that Colin Davis wanted; for his reading of the orchestral score, rich in tone ground dungeon. But the sound often came nearer to, say, Chausson or D'Indy than to Claude de France. Yvonne Minton's Geneviève And yet the music suggests a colour, expertly paced, is also full-blooded and high-mettled, more so than the tradition of Désormières and Ansermet taught us, or the neo-classic precision of Boulez when this

srill greater variety of timbre between Pelléas and Golaud than is beard bere, even though Thomas Stewart appropriately darkens and bardens bis baritone for Golaud. Mr Stewart gives us an expressionist Golaud, chilling and sinister in the eavesdropping scene with Yniold (Gillian Ramsden—nn boy this time, through a tactful childish tone

production was new. Mr Davis responds keenly to the wealth of dramatic detail in the music, Ramsden—nn boy this time, for example in the solo where through a tactful childish tone of voice), frenetic with all stops on horsehack—one sbarply of voice), frenetic with all stops on horsehack—one sbarply so when characters are seen in out in the Absalom scene. It characterized idea after another, silhouette at the back of the was a strong and compelling The interludes were gloriously stage.

es a "Sonata for piano and cello" and the cello has more than its fair share of routine passage work. But in the open-

ing movement there are reward-

ing, lyrical sections where its

solo role is unambiguous. Here Mr Igloi was too restrained in

his recital on Monday, and in

the Rondo too, his cello toue was insufficiently robust to match that of his partner, Heinz

lodeed, this reticence remained a characteristic of the eotire recital. In the Brahms F major sonata with its warm,

autumnal melodies providing one of the glories of the cello

Medjimorec.

is still a lovely vignette. Joseph Rouleau made the most of Arkel's long solo (the high notes sometimes forced) and bis superbly moving, and justly famous, later brief utterances. The Svoboda sets depend much on their lighting which was not always effective, though greatly

of the opening movement emerged as flat and uninteresting, lessening the cumulative impact of the work.
Yet this inadequate projection was always a matter of

degree, and there remained

much to admire in the playing

of this cellist and his sensitive,

well-matched pianist. The in-tricate rhythmical detail of the Bartok First Rhapsody, for example, was mericulously attended to and again, the demanding virtuoso writing of Ginastera's Pampeana No 2 was apply with the control of the c well within Mr Iglor's technique, even if a more pungent, wiry attack was needed. Given the need for a wider tonal These qualities were seco to repertory, one longed for the need for a wider tonal advantage to Beethoven's early more passion and ardour. The range, these were performances F major sooata which received expansive phrase which rises of distinction from a cellist of distinction from a cellist who, at 27, bas time to acquire

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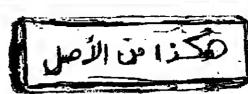
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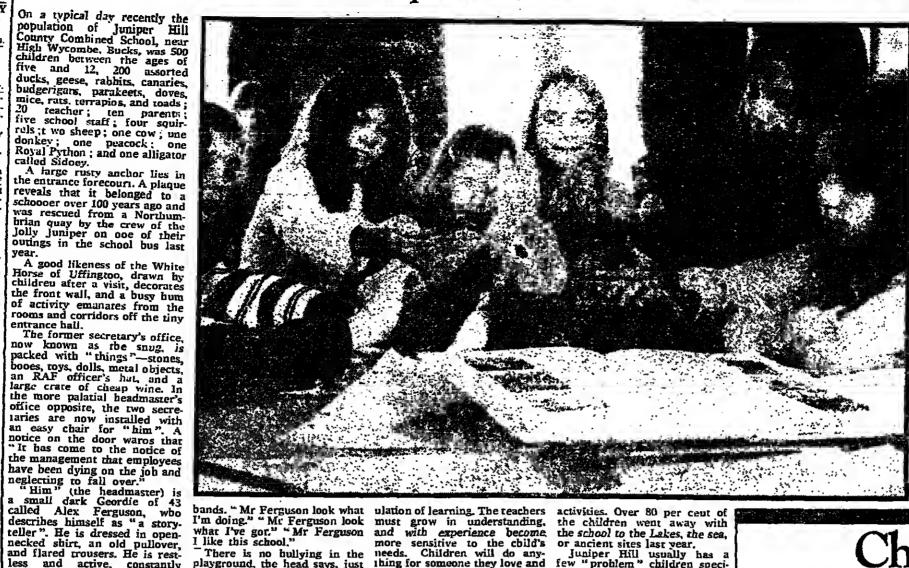
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The rewarding school experience of the Juniper Hill Mob





There is no hullying in the playground, the head says, just the occasional fight. What happens then? "One or both gets some comfort, depending on the circumstances."

In the rabbit breeding hut (progeny, like eggs, are sold to school families to help school to school families to help school funds) four ten-year-old girls sit bolding haby rabbits. "I'm taking this one home; you hold it", says one. "We thought the mother was a daddy till she had them. She are one."

or a visit to Simbridge Wildfowl Trust, be reports that the school hus driver, having been caught by "an electronic feather detector" making off with two Hawaiian Geese, one Black-necked Swan, one rednecked Pochard, and one small blue tit, confessed: "I'm sorry; it was a fowl thing to do." The animal population changes constantly. The cow, amid great sadness as she had arrived as a calf a year earlier, had to go because she might tread on a small child; and the donkey because it kept hiting the beadmaster. Two dozen turkeys reared

not in separate parts of the school; they are mixed up as intimately as possible. Any spare spot in classroom, corridor, or playground, houses a cage, aviary, or roaming from chicks proved to be a searing experience" not to be repeated says the head. They were killed and dressed for Christmas by staff. The children were very reproachful. "Oh Mr Mack how could you?" eaten for a year but it doesn't matter says a child standing by, they can go for two. "Teacher tried to tempt him with a live

Classes are characterized by an air of industry and content. There is no uniform and no high desks for teachers. "How mistaken we must have been" with locks on.
Out in the playground children crowd round and hold

bands. "Mr Ferguson look what I'm doing." "Mr Ferguson look what I've gor." "Mr Ferguson and with experience become more sensitive to the child's more sensitive to the child's needs. Children will do anything for someone they love and teachers must express that loving care. Nothing can persuade

me otherwise than that patient kindlioess is our only sword. There is no open day at Juniper Hill; every day is open. Parents walk in and out, and nearly 70 worked for the school nearly 70 worked for the school in various ways last year: running the library (where children borrow both school books and leisure reading from a wideranging selection); digging duck ponds; building buts for remedial work and animals, listening to reading, joining in and helping to organize sports, games, outings. The parents' association raised £2,000 last

association raised £2,000 last year and school activities another £200, part of which went to feed and house the animals. Teachers and children come in at weekends to care for the animals.

Alex Fergusoo learned a lot at the small village school in Rutland where he was before —36 children and everything to do for them. "If a mann or a granded put their bead round the door don't twn them away. grab them. It's another human being."

There is a school orchestra band has a good appetite at three feet, and indeed is inclined to overeat. His is the only cage with locks on.

Out in the playground Out In the Out In the playground Out In the playground Out In the Out In the playground Out In the Out In th this imprisoned being for stim- all manner of projects and

activities. Over 80 per cent of the children went away with the school to the Lakes, the sea,

or ancient sites last year.

Juniper Hill usually has a few "problem" children specially referred from elsewbere.

They ger no special treatment but results are good. In an area where up to 25 per cent of staff move on each year, Juniper Hill has lost only five in seven years. About 50 per cent of leavers go on to selective schools, compared with an average elsewhere of 25 to 30 per cent.

But the chief mark of the Juniper Hill Mob is the way they play, work, and relate to each other. "For a child, coming to school each day child, he are to school each day should he a rewarding experience," says Alex Ferguson. "The child sbould share the life and work of his class, engage in the larger enterprises of the school, and be bappy with his class teacher while ready to talk to other adults of his school community without fear or anxiety.

"School must be a place for trying things out, where things sometimes dissolve into a mess and where experimentation does not always insist oo a correct solution. That is why there is always a new project under way; that is why the school is encircled by its birds and

animals.
"If one were to grope for a phrase, it would be to suggest that the school strives for the enlargement of the buman spirit."

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Children's book nostalgia



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In February, 1967, Sotheby & Co. held a sale of Children's Books and Juvenilia which deserves, within the modest annals of its subject, to be described as epochmaking. This was not due to anything iotrinsic in the sale, or even to the fact of the sale itself but to the unexpectedly vigorous public response. On the viewing days, ravening hoards

descended on the rooms and almost tore asunder the shelves of chapbooks and primers "in original printed wrappers", and throughout the bidding lay-voices, never before raised in Sotheby's, were heard in contest against the surprised

It is impossible to account precisely for the excitement evoked by this sale (one bidder was so enthusiastic that be paid file for two books which he could have bought over a bookshop counter for £10.

But what is certain is that it inspired a double reaction—a confirmation among the professionals of how moch is still to he learnt about this neglected field of interest, and a realization among the developers that bere was property of some

developers that bere was property of some consequence.

Every year since 1967 the book sales have multiplied (there has just heen a very entertaining one at Crewkerne, of all places); every year more booksellers bave been bringing out specialized catalogues; and every year the competition for, and the prices of, well-known books have been fiercer. Indeed, to judge hy what bas been paid for some indifferent Kate Greeoaway and Arthur Rackham items, enthusiasm is sometimes likely to get the better of bibliographical prudence.

Needless to say, activity as intense as this among the antiquarians and collectors has had repercussions elsewhere—one of the most notable at the moment heing the exploitation of book illustrations. In this horderland territory, where fine art and applied art are mingled, the proprietors of antique shops and little galleries have been quick to see the possibilities of a new fashion. At its simplest it may mean buying some Erpest Shepard drawings (the world seems to be full of Ernest Shepard drawings), or breaking up a Caldecott toy-book, and mounting the sheets in a stylish frame. Or at a more sophisticated level it may mean the holding of individual or group exhibitions, where book illustrations, projected book illustrations, or even rejec-

ted book illustrations are sold as pictures.
Visitors to the West End may see at
present a fine exhibition of work by that much underrated illustrator Harold Jones at Green & Abbott's shop in St Georges Street, while round the corner in Maddox Street there has just opened an intriguing exhibition which includes both pictures

Entitled "Illustrated Children's Books, 1860-1930", this show at the Kinsman Morrison Gallery is combining, temporarily and partially, the virtues of gallery and bookshop. Around the walls are framed illustrations, drafts, or even straight pictures by such artists as Walter Cranes, Richard Doyle and Heath Robinson, while in glass cases below there are books to correspond.

The latter, all of which are for sale, have heen supplied by the booksellers Robin Greer and lan Hodekinson and although the prices reflect a trend that will make poor book-collectors tremble for their

future, it must be said that the books are in outstanding condition. Such an emphasis on the decorative and rather chi-chi "collectable" quality of children's books can, however, he seen as

doing some disservice to the quest to know more about children's literature as a genre. One of the reasons perbaps why the subject does not figure within conven-tional first degree courses to English universities is that it is regarded as a soft option ("chatter about Winnie")—and it is necessary to state, both for those who plan syllahuses and for those who think that academic respectability is the kiss of death, that the close study of children's books can be demanding work, and work which is important if we are to be able 10 discriminate more successfully among the offerings of the booksellers' and the

the offerings of the booksellers' and the auctioneers' catalogues.

A very recent example of current endeavours to improve our judgment of early children's hooks is Joyce Irene Wballey's Cobwegs to Catch Flies, which was published last month (Elek, £5.95). Working from the major reserve collection in the National Art Library at the Victoria and Albert Museum, Miss Whalley is concerned with children's books not as an antiquarian fancy, but because of the insights which they offer into society's

an antiquarian fancy, but because of the insights which they offer into society's changing attitudes towards the home-education of the young.

A children's hooks history society, constituted as a British Branch of the Friends of the Osborne Collection at Toronto, exists for the further study of early children's books. Petails from the Secretary: Mrs Pat Garrett, 25 Field Way tary: Mrs Pat Garrett, 25 Field Way, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire.

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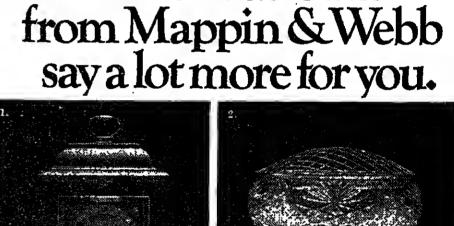
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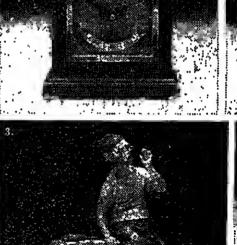
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Why Hamburgers would not accept the standards of living in Liverpool

When the Mayor of Hamburg Hamburg will get approximately resigned last month, only six months into his four year term, the next three years. Fares ate many Hamburgers took it as grim confirmation of their fears Year, building is at a standstill, that their city—the wealthiest in and the apparent prosperity of Europe—had become ungovernable. Such pessimism comes as a shock, as Hamburg seems so urderly and flourishing to an with their talk of the city's English city dweller innured to crisis. a life with declining standards of city services, and the visible evidence of growing social prob-

But the present critical economic situation facing central guvernment everywhere is mir-rored in the bankruptcy of every city in Europe. Hamburg. Germany's second largest city, is here contrasted with another has aimed for a standard of city port city, Liverpool, which is services which was unrealisticly port city, Liverpool, which is just one third of its size.

Both cities are hurdened by huge dehts. Liverpool's £250m debt is costing the city £29 million in interest charges this year. Hamburg's 2678 million debt is equivalent to debts of £377 for each of its 1,800,000 citizens.

Inflation running at ao annual rate of 16 per cent so far this year is adding £6m onto Liver-pool's hudget, swallowing up the Couocil's 53m contingency fund and leaving the city with an estimated deficit this year of

Liverpool is braced for a rate support grant just anoounced and a rise in public transport fares of at least 10 per ceot. Hamburg's financial situation is even more critical. as a major federal tax reform will be iotroduced on lanuary l next year and it will cut state revenues from personal taxation so that

to go up 18 per cent in the New

officials, put the city's problem and solution starkly. He said costs must be reduced by 5 per cent and the demands on the city government therefore re-duced. He suggested that the city has been too ambitious, and Neither in Hamburg nor Liver-pool has any elected member of the city's administration yet dared speak such political her-esy openly. Privately however many admit that major cuts in city services are inevitable if city administrations are not tu

become paralysed as much by their debts as hy their bureau-cratic complexity.

The Mayor of Hamburg resigned over what has become a primary issue in both Hamburg and Liverpool-the size of the Liverpool is braced for a highly unpopular rate iocrease next year, even with the high ten years, and another 10.000 people are expected to leave in the next year. Their departure will immediately lose the city £578,000 from the Government's rate support grant / calculated on the current year's basis.) lu addition the city loses the value of their general purchasing

Hamhurg's problem is the

On Hamburg's sprawling acres of new housing, day-to-day life for the average citizen is not soured by squalor as it is in Liverpool

young. laughed successful executive asked him where he lived in the city: "I don't know a single person who still lives in the city. I live just 25 minutes away in Schleswig-Holstein, and so do all my friends." The swift run of American ioner cities happened in exactly the same way in the 1960s, when the taxes of the well-trade were the taxes of the well-to-do were lost to the revenues of the cities by the fashionable migration in the surrounding suburbs or countryside. Hamburg's former mayor. Peter Schulz, wanted to stop the flow of population out by building what he called a new town in the ceotre of the city. But he could out convince his fellow oolicy maker in the Land Parliament or the Senate that the oolicy could either work or

be financed.

youngest mayor in Germany. He is admired as an idealist for being prepared to take on a job no older, experienced man would accept. He, and Liver-pool's new liberal council leader Cyril Carr. who is referred to as the most decent mao ever to have succeeded in Liverpool polities, are very different from the authoritarian city bosses who have traditionally ruo both cities. Both men want a city which above all responds to its people.

But these new policies are brioging new problems. "Governing has now become extremely difficult in Hamburg, be-cause not only are the issues oolicy maker, in the Land parliament or the Senate that them, but ordioary people are insisting on having a say in the people who have tried to make major social them, but ordioary people are insisting on having a say in the decisions." said a senior Hamber of the new mayor is 37—the burg journalist. The same point from those like the Dockland more complicated, and require

was made by Liverpool's chief Action Group who bave been executive "uoder the Liberals trying for two years to ensure every decision must be put to that the 235 acres of empty the people of the city—a com-plicated and time-consuming business. I'm not against it, but it isn't now I was brought up

to carry on city government". Responding to its people Hamburg has recently made a Hamburg has recently made a major policy change away from pulling down and rebuilding inner-city areas. Militant necuoations and demonstrations by left-wing so-called "citizens intiatives", or injections of capital and brilliant painting and recovation by small middle class groups, changed the city's plans over-inh. Areas like Pösuldori and Eopendorf bave become prosperous inner-city become orosoerous inner-city

villages.

The transformation of areas like these shows city life can be ungraded, rather than allowed to slide downbill. But il was middle-class capital and energy with no aid from the city, which did it, and Liverpool has not attracted any such capital into its appallingly deprived centre. Attempts to renovate selected areas such as Granby or Vauxhall by barnessing the resources of the city itself, or the Home Office's Urhan Aio programme, or the three year Shelter programme, have produced minor improvements in small proportion to the bopes and energy put in

hy poor residents.
In Liverpool the only raik about the city being ungovernable comes from the people who

listen to Puccini at all it they could get Faust is beyond my

understaneing. It has got more

marvellous music than Tosca, Bohème and Butterile portogether, and for my part it would still be ahead if you threw in all Bellini, much of Ponizetti, Cav and Pag, and about three quarters of Berlioz. (That was a joke. Colin. honestly it was! Put that knile down!)

Yet the astonishing thing about Fourt is the way it has fallen out of so many repertoires. The present production is the first at Covent Garden since 1938, and it bad not been done much for a good many

done much for a good many years before that: hut its

former popularity was literally witbout compare, as you can tell from the excellent babit

iog in the programme, how maoy performances there have

been of whatever work you are

seeing. I ran back through my

programmes for the past couple of years, and worked out the following table:

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South Docks do not just mon!

The greatest difference between the two cities is in what seems to be generally regarded as acceptable. Hamburgers rage openly about their city scandals and wasteful planning decisions. The justice department was disredited recently by prison riors, and a senior prosecumr shooting himself as the coveruo to the scandal came unstuck. The health department made serious management errors too scribus management that so so in outlding the city's new sky-scraper hospital. Near the city centre a brand new high rise clinic stands uncompleted and uowanted after a policy change.

And Hamburg does have slums—though it reserves them mainly for its 64,000 foreign workers. But on its arid sprawling acres of new bousing, dayto-day life for the average citizen is not soured by squalor as it is in Liverpol. There are no broken windows no state. it is in Liverpol. There are no hroken windows, no shattered pavements, oo ruhbish io the streets, oo empty acres lying deso ate in the middle of the city, no ponds filled with rubbish io the parks, no broken escalarors and lavatories io oew shopping precincts, oo threevear-old housing developments needing major repairs, no 22,000 people on the housing list. Excuse me, but no Hamburger Excuse me, but no Hamburger could live how your people live". said one impeccably police Hamburg taxi driver who visited Liverpool this year.

Victoria Brittain To be concluded)

and I have had enough of it."
No doubt its decline coincided with the rise, to complete domi-nance of the popular repertoire, of Puccini; but where in Puc-

cini is there anything to touch

the Kermesse scene in Foust, or Demeure chaste et pure, or It était un roi de Thule, or the

else: the nearest equivalent, which is Squilli echeggi from Trovatore, seems almost blood-

beside the Gounod.

Which means, of course, that the most deeply buried of all

oopular operatic comoosers must have been buried too

deep. When sball we bave

can judge for ourselves? Of course, it would be appallingly

exnensive: of course, it would

have to be cast with great care

and an opeo cheque-book; of

Meyerbeer, so that we

Eric Moonman

Hoping for a happier new year than the last

The year when nobody cared church leaders been vo a damn —that's my gut re- Perhaps theirs is the greation to 1974. At this time of fault, since the influence year your arts critics retro-spectively savour the pleasures of their favourite books, films and records. The political year affords me no such satisfaction; nn reflactioo, it was thoroughly

On the international scene, morals ond standards of conduct bave become grossly perverted.

The use of the oil weapon by the Arabs has caused the governments of oil-consuming nations either to Israel's fights for ferent to Israel's fights for survival, or deliberately to look the other way as the Arabs re-arm and again threaten Israel.

No ona cao blame Israel for describing the United Nations as wearing a badge of sbame. The fact that the leader of a terrorist umbrella organization should be invited to the United Nations at all is serious enough, hut that the majority of dele-gates should give Mr Yassir Arafat a standing ovation is mo much for the stomachs of thuse people who hoped that deceory might still, just, prevail, even to the horse fair which the United Nations is today. For the UN is no longer the talking sbop it used to be, which how-ever ineffective still had some ever ineffective still had some high ideals, but has become a place where issues are decided not on the judgment of the governments involved but by deals or blackmail.

The strategy of the com-munist countries is well known, and one can understand, though and one can understand, though not condone, the attitude of some of the poor, misguided African nations who acted out this charade. But what about Australia? What about France? And what about

The operation of the double standard is nowhere more clearly illustrated than by that weekend in November when our Foreign Secretary was giving instructions to our The operation of the double giving instructions to our United Nations amhassador to abstain on critical votes which gave credibility to the PLO, while the Home Secretary was baffled and angry, along with the rest of the nation, at the Birmiogham bombings which killed or injured more than

200 people.

Perhaps failure to come to grips with the problems they face is the real reason why so I ctait in for de Inuic, or the Jewel Sonz, or the Church Scene, or Walpurgis Night fomitted in the present production, or, dammit the Hambone Chorus F Indeed what is there even in Verdi to touch that last? The Grand March from Aido, certainly, but nothing else; the present equivalent many western statesmen seem incapable of showing any leadership. But if the oil weapon is so powerful a form of blackmall that the western nations bave remained silent, or even supported the annics of the Arab lobby in isolate Israel in UNESCO, what will be the next act of appeasement? There is a stench of Munich abont, but our statesmen sbould know better, for they are not too young to remember 1939.

I have always maintained, and consider that this production bears out my claim trium-phantly, that if a work has held the stage, with unbrokeo popu-lar acclaim, for decades on end, it must be good: no flash in For Britaio ln particular here is a grim warning. If we are too impressed by the PLO on the loternational froot, we can expect greater pressure the pan can last for threefrom the IRA and other quarters of a century or so. extremist groups of both left snd right who are already making themselves felt in our society. The Communists failed to capture even one con-stituency in February or October, but their influence is making itself felt in industry. And while the National Front vote was in many places derisory, it too bas adopted the tech-nique of infiltration into popu-lar movements, which is perhaps the greatest danger of the amateur private armies and and Portugal—but this their right-wing sympathizers, counter-balanced by The majority condemn these trends, but we cannot take their disappearance for gracied—we must be articulate io our

condemnation. One of the most troubling things about the spread of terrorism is the softenlug-up pro-cess it initiates. MPs not normally without courage, who are no respecters of persons or office and who are ooted for the noise they make at question time, bave remained

uotil recently, have & Times Newspapers Ltd,

the Roman Cathulic che reaches many of the mil residents of this country Irish origin. It is not that t lack courage, but that ti preoccupation with what I regard as the major issues conscience - contracept abortion, divorce has blin them to the fact that the m issue affecting the Cath population of the United K dom and Irelaod is violeacthe name of religion. The r urgent need is the neco speak out against terrorism And then, of course, media, out notorious for a reticence about scundals aff

ing individuals or abuses in society, bave sometimes for it sensible to lnok the o way. Of course they I splashed the news of Birmingham bombs and o outrages, but that isn't whi mean. How many have n inited a consistent campai daily told me the other that it is difficult to courageous; it's very to especially when you thin! how reporters on other r paners have been roughet in Northern Ireland and

to play it cooler in future.

Anyone who still nowhis reality of my depression i have ignored or he unawar the Hudsoo Institute repor Britain's future. The ce-facts described were Britain is the slowes: aro of the world's major inducountries: that its natuun been overtaken by Gara France and Japan: Use terms of income per trans are barely in the ton diend that behind these ": ie fundamental, imme: ... failures of trade, invest-and productivity. These are not understand in but the difficulty lie in fact that Britain has a m ing in a crisis for so 'mr no ooe imagined that the tion could actually ge ... It bas, and will continue to so. We are on an econ slide that could take us disaster unless we adonfundamentally diffe approach in the future.

The social contract such oo approach but alre-to add to the successional right, left-wing military demanding its demise year must hring an ending of what the social con means for everyone, inch the professional and agerial groups who, while are already hencfiling some of its implications in example, the pensions fielnot yet feel involved.

The fears I expressed nucleor safety in the midd the year brought not only port but also some t which people riew the cor-ments of all kinds of dame material carried through don which, in a year, conta the equivalent of 1.000 mitoxic doses. The anti-prolition treaty is inadequate to vent the spread of nu weapons when the matt and technology are so w

I am oot by nature n mist, but I can find little i joyful about in these per months. Some might argue the world community sl fiod some satisfaction in change of regimes in Gi aoguish aud further deter tion of civil liberties io C The rise of the small na to share power in the Un Nations would be welc were it not that they bring same intolerance and dor-

siao power of relo did after the war. reason to let my man optimism come to the fer 1975, but I will try. H.

New Year !

Bernard Levin

The day Covent Garden revived Faust and Kiri revived me

I think I had hetter begin by (Parricia Foy) is not married to explaining lest ugly runtours explaining lest ugly rumours should start to get about I beautiful rumours they would be, actually), how I came to be in Kiri te Kanawa's bedroom last Wednesday afternoon, cutelling her cat. 10 Mr Compositor, the half of my kingdom—the whole of my kingdom, Mr Cumpositor that it cutld cool its heels until we half of my kingdom. Mr Cumpositor the whole of my kingdom of the compositor that it cutld cool its heels until the cool its heels until t her cat. 10 Mr Compositor, the half of my kingdom—the whole of my kingdom, Mr Cumpositor - if you will only leave out the —it you will only leave out the last word in that sentence!) The cat in question is an exceptionally heautiful Siamese named Cobber, and the reason I was cuddling it was, to put it with heart-rending simplicity, that nothing better was ovailable for cuddling. Kiri heing the devoted wife of on Australian mining engineer (may basela mining engineer (may knala bears eat him inch by inch from the feet upwards, thus leaving the rest of us, you might say, with a fair field and no favour).

So much for the cat; now for the bedroom. I was ushered into that, by lo divinite herself. to change into my hreathtakingly beautiful multi-coloured zip-up jersey with the fashionably floppy collar, when I went to her home near Esher to film a television programme with her for a BBC series I do called Profile in Music; Kiri being dressed for the interview in sweater and slacks, it was thought that my normal wing collar, dovegrey waistcoat and spats might seem incongruous opposite her. And thus, when I emerged from the bedroom, we sat and talked.

The occasioo was enliveoed by one of those episodes that make operatic life so delightful for those not directly involved, and which have eosured that no ioteodant of a major opera-house, if he is more than 30 years old, can find a respectable insurance company to cover his life; Covent Garden rang up to say that the cooductor of Faust was iodisposed, that Mr Charles Mackerras was taking over at 24 hours' ootice (the next performance in the repertoire was the following day), and would Miss te Kanawa kindly drop everything and hasten ioto London for a run-through. Now the producer of our programme

a Levin, even one entirely unnurely in a corner while nego-tiations event on; the Opera Hause began to flap; the united front of Levins stood firm; and I had visions of the Covent Gar-den heavy moh arriving to wrest the beautiful prize from our the beautiful prize from our grasp by force, whereat I deter-mined, should it come to jug-owar, that I would clutch her ankle in a grip that only death would unloose, thus giving myself a good chance of getting something out of my visit, even if not a television programme, ("What on earth's that on your mantelpiece, Bernard?" "Kiri mantelpiece, Bernard?" te Kanawa's left leg.")

It was not to be; the Opera House ccased to flap, no doubt under the benign influence of Mr Mackerras (Charlie is probably the most consummately unflappable conductor since Vit-toriu Gui); we got our inter-view; and the programme will be seen, assuming the BBC bas not none out of business altogether by then, early next yeor. Then I went to Faust. The

critical reception had heen cool, not to say bostile, and I had not heard the work for so long that the last time I had heard it it was being performed by the Carl Rosa Company (remember-ing that, I remembered also the theatrical story about the outof-work actor who declared bitterly that the last time he had been in a film, Fiolsy Currie got the girl), so I had forgotten it altogether, apart from the Jewel Soog and, of course, the Hambone Chorus, so called because in my youth it was customary—though why I cannot tell you—to sing to its music a ditty which began

Ham-bones. And jolly-great-lumps-of-fat. The upshot was that I went



Kiri te Kanawa in a scene from Fanst.

expecting oothing much out of the ordinary, apart from Kirl, and had an obsolutely entrancing evening from beginning to cnd. It is true that operatic acting of the kind indulged in hy the Mephistopheles has not

heeu hetter, together with a good deal of French pronuocia-tion (it was sung in the original) that ought to have been a great deal better. But what I bad forgotteo, or possibly never knew, was that the opera itself hy the Mephistopheles has not knew, was that the opera itself heeo seeo since, I would guess, is a mighty masterpieca. Of about 1885, and that there was course it is not to be compared a voice or two that might bave to Wa— that is to say, Mozart, bave heard Gounod's Faust not

than negotiators' dyspepsia.

Delegates to the international trade union conference oo the

motor car industry, which ends

Fraternizing

Faust 396 ber of performances of the others that there have been since the war, thus making their cut-off data the same as Foust, it is clear that Faust was until then by far the most popular opera in bistory. (The first two senteoces in Shaw's collected volumes of music criticism are: "Some

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course the consequences would be appalling if it turned our to he a dad after all. But I can-not believe that it would. Anyway, they could give themselves a shade of odds by putting Kiri in it. She was ravishing in Faust, of course; did I mention that a scarf being deemed appropriate for me to wear in the interview, she lent me a brown one of hers? I shall never wash my neck незіп.

or even to the best Verdi, but less than ninety times within why anybody should bother to the last ten or fifteen years;

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The Times Diary Making a meal of scant pickings

Robin Young ferrets behind the oews at the Paris summit:

The competitioo for information has been intense and until late last night, the pickings remained scant. The principals to the discussion remained largely out of sight. Their meetings had been divided between three centres, two of which are far removed from the press ceotre where most the press ceotre where most briefings have been beld.

Yesterday at luoch time the lobby was filled with journalists. They were so eager for news that even a little consultation I had with an embassy official about the precise meaning of a special offer on a French tin of Campbell's soup was mis-takeo for a private briefing. Jouroalists from Japao, Italy and Belgium bomed in on us, trying desperately to catch the hidden meaning from our con-Interest in the British brief-

ngs has been sharpened by the edge of rivalry between Harold Wilson's press adviser, Joe Haines, and James Callaghan's spokesman, Tom McCaffrey. At the beginning of this Government it was suggested that McCaffrey, a witty and approachable Scottish civil servant, should be appointed Wilson's press spokesman, while Haines would bave been promoted to political advisor and moted to political adviser and speech writer.
That this did oot come about

is attributed to Haines's avid loyalty to Wilson, which makes his guidance suspect to scepti-cal newsmen. McCaffrey is more popular, and has bad diffi culty in not dominating the briefing sessions. Haines seldom goes beyond his opening statecolleagues—snd most questions the conference has been damned are addressed to McCaffrey. as a left-wing plot in right-wing quarters, the party was a com-fortingly bourgeois gesture on Haines said after the Elysée dinoer oo Mooday night that the eveous had heen purely social but thot Giscard and the part of the organizers—the Amalgamated Union of Engi-neering Workers and the Trans-Wilson bad both made speeches in Freoch which had been 'jokey'. He would not divulge any of Wilsoo's witticisms, port and General Workers' Union. Star of the night was Michael though it is probable that, since Foot, whose arrival was heralded by the thump of I Get A Kick be used to be a minor script writer for That was the Week that Was, Hsines himself bad Out Of You from a three-piece

contributed to them.

He said he hated talking about food, and a diplomatic correspondent asked supercili-Foot was not in a mood to pay serious attention to probing questions from reporters, though ously: "Does it marter? fact it might, since on Harold Wilson's last visit to Paris the he did make anxious inquiries to discover whether they were members of the National Union stomach upset he cootracted Journalists. When asked was blamed by the British on whether be accepted the view Giscard's oysters. Since then, during Brezhnev's visit to Paris, of an Australian delegate, that working cooditions were by now a more important question than Foreign Minister Sauvagnargues had to he carried from a banwages, Foot said genially: "Life, liberty and the pursuit quet on a stretchar, and hoth Brezhnev and Gromyko missed a of happiness are the most important considerations." subsequent luncheon. So far, this time, cobody seems to have contracted anything worse

iovial mood.

It was a jolly evening. Foot hugged his wife and slapped ber heartily on the back. The Russians were in particularly good bumour. Jack Jones, general secratary of the TGWU assured everyone for the second time that day that there was



one reached for another drink, though by that time all the scampi bad been gobbled up.

Skittish

John Haycraft, head of a federation for teaching languages, ation for teaching languages, believes language has to be dramatic for people to remember it. Four years ago he set up a teaching theatre for English, which has given shows all over the Continent. Now he has turned his thoughts to English speakers learning ment—which often lays none today, attended a cocktail party nothing sinister about the con- has turned his thoughts to too cunning an emphasis on on Monday night at the Strand ference or its Communist parti- English speakers learning what Wilsoo told his European Palace Hotel. Considering that cipants. Thus reassured, every- French. On Monday night, he

presented a sample show of Bric-a-Brac, a revue of songs and sketches designed to teach grammatical points and pro-ounciation of the French lan-

It was performed for an iovited audience of teachers and BBC further education producers, who were required to oarticipate beartily. They learnt how to pronounce correctly "Je ne sais pas" by answering to "Where is Napoleon. Josephice Briging Par leon, Josephioe, Brigitte Bar-dot?"

Other sketches showed two tramps who stole food in which the troupe managed to squeeze in a joke about the bakers' strike. This taught possessive forms. During a magician's act the "No Smoking" sign fell imprévu off the wall. A sombre skit about an affaire atrois fol-lowed the feelings of two women and a man as they thought their relationship through to its cooclusion (" If I married him I'd bave to wash his socks"). This taught the conditional tense.

Right on

Walking from Trafalgar Squara to the Houses of Parliament yesterday, nobody could fail to know that it was Human Rights Day. About 20 people were demonstrating octside
South Africa House on hehalf
of the Namibians. Then all
down Whitehall, anti-Soviet
agitaters handed out leaflets
supporting the cause of captive
Ukrainians and Byelorusians.
The day's main attraction are

The day's main attraction was in a committee room of the House of Commons where Angela Davis, the black American Communist, was giving a press conference oo behalf of

political prisocers in Soul Wearing large hoop-like rings and a lapel button ring: "Freedom is a construggle", Miss Davis sp softly and with a lazy d which betrays her Alahama gin. Introducing her, Neil oock, the red-headed Lat MP, said: "There are rery heroines to our generation. Angela Davis is certainly

of them." Miss Davis's main mes was that the struggle age oppression to Southern Al was part of the struggle oppressed people all over world. Violent struggle, believed, was the only was liberation for Southern

Asked whether her campa for political prisoners inclu those in Czechoslovakia, slie plied: "I don't bappen to lieve that those who are tical prisoners in Czecho vakia are fighting in the si struggle against imperialis People who attacked socicountries ignored the gawbich had been achieved

socialism.
The Soviet Union, fur stance, was not suffering fi the inflation which affect most countries of the wo Solzhenitsyn, who comman much froot-page space in bourgeois press, represen

reaction.
Miss Davis will address meeting tomorrow evening Friends House, Euston Ro She also plans, in the few d she will spend here, to c tact movements oppressed black Britain.

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HE LIFE OF CANTERBURY

appeal for more than three a half million pounds to air and preserve the medieval oed glass and fahric at Cantery Cathedral is unfortunately y the latest in a long list of ieals for funds for urgent airs to England's cathedrals de in the past ten years. The odations of the west towers ork Minster, weakened by the ly pounding of traffic, have to be secured at a cost of The scaffolding that still aks the west front of St Paul's hedral is another present inder of the delicate condition many famous cburches and of effect of modern decay on ir fabric. Only a few catheis bave escaped the need for jor repair or reconstruction in

past century. The causes of decay are rious enough. Many cathedrals i larger churches were built ny centuries ago. Durham is iost 900 years old, and even St ul's a young building hy th standards, was huilt 300 urs ago. Medieval architects i masons made few engineermistakes although they the limits itemporary building technoy to the outer edges of sibility-the collapse of the ve at Beauvais was a rare imple of architectural ambition trunning engineering possihi-7. However, buildings of the rteenth and fourteenth centuries inevitably must require expensive maintenance and repair in the twentieth. Stone decays, cement disintegrates, timber beams rurn to powder through the action of dry rot.

The activity of men in latter centuries can also quicken this process of decay. Modern drainage can lower the water table and so have a damaging effect on the stability of cathedral founds. tions. The natural process of decay has been accelerated in the last fifty years by two new phenomena, the damaging vibration of traffic and the corrosive effect of air pollution. In the case of York the first caused the most damage: at Canterbury the second appears to he the principal culprit.

Medieval stained glass is a rarer commodity in England than in France mainly because of the iconoclasm of the Reformation which received its fullest and most damaging expression at the time of the Civil War. Canterbury possesses perhaps the finest collection of medieval stained glass, some of which dates from 1178. Yet the outside surface of these windows has been eaten into dangerously by a corrosive acid produced by moisture in the air and sulphur dioxide. One Garman expert pronounced the condition of these windows "catastrophic" and predicted that they will survive at the most for another twenty years. Perbaps

rhe most alarming evidence of how quickly air pollution can produce such a catastrophic decay is that photographs taken in 1947 revealed only a alight blemish on the glass. So atalned glass that has survived intact for almost 800 years has been put in jeopardy by the action of pir pollution in a

single generation. The very urgoncy of the necessary repairs at Canterbury raises the question of who should hear the burden of cost. Three and a half million pounds is a very large sum to raise by public subscription even for such a worthy cause. Cathedrals are, and should remain, working courches, but they are also living museums of our history and symbols of the strength of religious faith. At n less elevated level they are tourist attractions and contribute to foreign exchange earnings from the tourist trade.

The case for regular state aid for the upkeep of cathedrals and other major ecclesiastical monu-ments in use is becoming stronger, but its full implications are not yet accepted. An alternative, the introduction of admission charges on a wide scala, would inevitably make cathedrals less like living courches and more like museums of a dead past. A public appeal is the only ready means of raising the necassary money; and an appeal for the capital church of English Christianity is especially deserving of support.

PPLYING COMMON SENSE TO CONTEMPT

e Phillimore Committee on itempt of court bas tried hard eform the existing chaotic law making a large number of ommendations which, taken as whole, would have the heneal effect both of making the more certain and of liberalizit to take account of modern' iditions. Many of the more portant proposals are aimed at onciling in a rational way the per administration of justice I the freedom of publication. a report is a well-halanced one, inevitably it will fail to satisfy ny of the interests which it is signed to advance.

The group of proposals on the ne-periods within which the ik of contempt would lie are rhaps the most significant from ie point of view of everyday ewspaper and broadcasting prac-ce. Both for criminal and civil ises, however, the committee has ade recommendations which ay create as many problems as ey solve. For criminal cases, it is decided that the possibility of otempt should only arise after cbarge has been laid or a mmoos issued. This would ean that wbilst a man was on e run, with a warrant issued ainst him, or even where he has en arrested but not yet charged. y amount of prejudicial matter uld he published against bim. tere is already an example of e harm which could be done to accused's right to a fair trial in e Lord Lucan case. The puhrity given to his past life, and e conclusions inferred, would ake any future trial particularly nsitive to allegatious of unfair-

The period hetween arrest or

detention and charge would he equally open to abuse. Recently, in the Birmingham and Guildford homhing cases, several days have elapsed between persons being taken into custody and the charge heing laid. Under the Phillimore committee's proposals that period could become open season for the type of background, investigative and potentially prejudicial material which at present is usually reserved for after the trial. The committee rejected tha concept of "imminent" arrest as heing too uncertain but what it has suggested in its place will not

prevent prejudice. For civil cases, it has proposed a starting-point which is unsatisfactory for the opposite reason. In saying that the relevant date should he the setting down a case for trial, the committee has opened the way for comment or fact to be stifled for a period which may he as long as two years or more, as Lord Denning pointed mittee. Lord Denning was of the opinion that, the relevant starting point should be the date when the case was actually listed for hearing, some two or three months at most hefore the date of trial. Lord Salmon helieved that cases before a judge alone (which all civil cases other than lihel now are) did not need the protection of the law of contempt at all, Mr Rohin Day, in bis persuasive note of reservation. chooses a compromise between these two eminent views, and suggests a "sub-judice" list published one or two weeks before the date of trial. Either his proposal or Lord Denning's would he acceptable, but the much longer time period which

tha Committee's recommendation would lead to is excessive.

The committee rejected the creation of a defence of public benefit to an allegation of contempt. Its reason was, mainly, that it would introduce another element of uncertainty into a field of the law which it was attempting to make more certain. This approach, while commendable over the field of contempt as a whole, can do a disservice in some circumstances. The defence that, although possibly prejudicial to the individual litigant, a publication was so much to the public benefit that it outweighed the individual interest, would bave heen useful. By its nature, it could not he used except in relatively rare cases where a serious point was sought to he made. The proposal that pressure on a litigant in the form of a campaign—such as that which The Sunday Times launched against the Distillers Company on the thalidomide issue-should not he subject to the law of contempt does mitigate the rejection of the public benefit defence.

The committee has also shown commendable sense in its approach to the circumstances in the Paul Foot case, even though it did not know the result of the case when it made its comments. Mr Foot was found guilty of contempt in revealing the names of hlackmail victims after a trial judge had asked that they be referred to by initials only. The Phillimore committee suggests, as bas heen argued in The Times, that it is necessary to pass legislation to place on a statutory basis a judge's ruling that names should not be revealed.

'he other Irish

rom Mr Donold Madgwick ir, I have just returned from a eek's risit to Dublin, where I have en attending a production of my reretta The Savoyards. May I be llowed, in these difficult times, to immeor on the unaffected warmth nd friendliness of rhe people, and ieir almost total absence of ctarian animosity? Last Friday's ala performance was attended by oumber of distinguished clergymen all decominations headed by

lis Grace tha Arcbbisbop of Jublin, Dr Bucbanan, and the Justiliary Bisbop of Dublin, Dr arroll, respectively representing ne Prorestant and Catholic faiths. fo more harmooious gathering nuld be imagined; and io my curain speech I was able to say, withut irooy, that I was shortly to take ny leave and fly back to the

During my stay I met no oue who ad even a muted word of excuse the recent terrible events in uiloford and Birmingham. Outside he Provisional Sinn Fein offices 1 vitnessed a brave vigil by a large number of placard-carrying students and others calling for reconciliation. Their leading slogan "The Provos Don't Speak for Us" had the supfort of the overwhelming mass of the people.

I hope these focts will be borne in mind before any anti-Irish sentiment has a chance to take root. Yours faithfully. DONALD MADGWICK. 11 Quadrant Road. Thornion Heath, Surrey.

Detente in Africa

From Mr Patrick Wall, Conservative MP int Haitemprice Sir, If progress is to be made towards a detente in Southern Africa

two points must be borne in mind. The strongth of the white minoritias ciusi noi be underestimated. The arrules in Algeria and Mozambiqua were commiled from Paris and Li-bon respectively and once the will of the home country to fight had disappeared the result was inevitable. These precedents do not spiply to Salisbury and Pretorio.

Secondly, it should be rememhered that both Joshua Nkomo and Dr Sirbole signed the 1961 Consti-

lution and later under pressure from their followers withdrew their agreement. The same happened last year Bisbop Muzorewa's agreement with Mr Smith. Zimbabwe African National Union and Zimbabwe African People's Union have always been at loggerbeads as they are based on hostile mibal groupings as well as heing supported by China and the USSR respectively. Their concentration under Frolizi in the early 70s merely resulted in a third

Their present grouping uoder African National Coogress leader ship can therefore only be taken as sbort-term tactical move, albeit a wise one. Negoriations will continue, but as oo Rhodesian group, black or white, trusts each other, any settle-ment reached must be guaranteed both by the Presidents of Zambia, Botswana and Tanzania, as well as by South Africa. If this can be achieved, the whole Southern Africa crisis which is so porentially dangerous in the brnader East-West context could be de-fused. Yours faithfully,

PATRICK WALL, House of Commons.

Britain and British

From Professor J. T. Coppock Sir, Recent discussion on legislarioo to combat terrorism has again highlighted the ambiguous use of terms to describe the constituent parts of the United Kingdom and of their inhabitants. From time to time the word "Britain" is used as a synonym for England (and vice versa, both to the annoyance of the Scots), England and Wales, Great Britain, the present United Kingdom and what used to be called (to the annoyance of the Irisb) the Brirish Isles. Similarly, "British" bas been used to describe citizens of any of these areas or to describe any

attribute of them. May I, at the risk of accusationa of pedantry and of perpetuating the myth that geographers are merely concerned with the names and locations of places, plead for consistency so that we are all quite clear what we are talking about. In particular, I propose that "Britain" should never be used and that "Great Eritain" should be employed when reference is inrended to the island on which England, Scotland and

Wales are locared; similarly, "British" should be confined to citizens of the United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland) or to attributes of that kingdom.

It is true that a government publication is entitled "Britain: an Official Handbook", though it refers to the United Kingdom, and this use of Britain is the one possible excep-tion that might be permitted. It is also true that such practice will pro-vide no convenient term for inhabi-tants of England and Wales and for those of Great Britain; but this is a small price to pay for avoiding ambiguity. Of course, if the United Kingdom contracts or ceases to exist, some further clarification will be necessary, though there will continue to be a oeed for a term to describe the island of Great Britain. Yours faithfully,

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Front Lord Bernstein and Mr Ivor

Montagu Su. The BBC in their notes in the Radio Times stated apropos the December 6 showing of S. M. Eisenstein's film The Battleship Potemkin that "tonight for the first time, it is being shown in this country, chmplete with the score especially written by Edmund Meisel".

This starement is erroneous. The film was sbown, complete and with the Meisel music, in the 33rd Programme of the Film Society, at the Tivoli, Strand, on November 10, 1929. The orcbestra at the performance was conducted by the composer bimself, and the director who was present was then hearing the music, made originally for the German distribution of tha film, for the first

Programme that, when protest in Stuttgart secured the lifting of a han on the film itself, the Meisel music could nevertheless not be used as ir remained forbidden there, ae staatsgefoehrlich! Yours faithfully, SIDNEY BERNSTEIN, IVOR MONTAGU, Granada Group Ltd.

36 Golden Square, W1.

T. COPPOCK, Professor of

' The Battleship Potemkin '

B. A. YOUNG, Flat 3, Chelsea, SW10.

It was noted in the Film Society carnage, If so, is it likely that they would have been willing to "betray" their

Police files on bombers From Mr H. P. M. Rear

comrades if the penalty Yours faithfully, PAUL REAY, 24 St John Street, EC1. December 6.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Christmas closure of maternity units

From Mrs Peter Matthews Sir, A decidoo to close maternity units over Christmas scems a curious way to celebrate the birth of Christ. Indeed what will those liberated from work be celebrating? Appar-ently it's still a problem to find a place to be born. Yours truly,

PAMELA MATTHEWS, l Edwards Place, Kensington High Street, W8.

Children in hospital

From Mr P. W. Dixon Sir, I read with great interest the letter from Mrs Augela Rumbold (December 9) as to visiting of child-reu in bospital. I entirely agree with ther thot emotional security—and these arc her own words—can best be achieved by allowing pareous free access at all times to their children while they are in huspital. At Great Ormond Street—and we hope that are present as a national and international children's huspital—we have subscribed to this philosophy for many years, and indeed have sizeable parental accommodation, apart from free access visiting.

There is, unfortunately, another side to this coin, and that is one of security, about which we are greatly concerned. We have, in cnmmon wirb many hospitals, a fairly mon wirb many hospitals, a fairly regular pattern of petty theft and some major thiaving of material and equipmenr. We have had une "snatch" of a child, which in Z car terms would be a domestic affair, but I think ou the whole it may be that hospitals have gone too far in the direction of free access, and I dread the occasion when, a child might be lifed for when a child might be lifted for any reason because the bospital hus allowed free access withour any sort

of security as to visitnrs.

My Board of Governors has giveo serious consideration to this problem and bas examined the problem of identity cards and photographs: on the whole, our feeling is that this would not be welcome, but, nevertheless what would be the beadlines in your paper, as well as others, if a child were removed be-cause we give free and uncballenged access at anytime of the day or night? I use the word "unchallenged" hecause it is quite impossible to ask overworked and harassed nursing staff, or for that matter other bospital personnel, to challenge every person allowed access to a busy general bospital. Yours faithfully, PETER DIXON, House Governor

and Secretary.
The Hospital for Sick Children,
Great Ormond Street, WC1.

Distributing food From Sir Gcoffrey Vickers

Sir, Your correspondant, Mr W. A. M. Edwards (December 5) is far-sighted but I fear premature in calling for food rationing. Rationing can begin only when a commodity is and is perceived to he too scarce to be distributed by the market. This point will be reached (in grains) when food and fodder importers, whether "developed" (Britain, Japan) or "undeveloped" (India) bid against each other even more fiercely for their minimally needed share in an loadequate world surplus produced by the three or four countries which are still net

exporters of grain.
Since a market is an unacceptable means to distribute scarce essentials (for example, places in the inadequate lifeboats of a sinking ship) someone, the producers if no one else, will then have to impose some rough and ready quota allocations, as the oil companies did to some extent in the oil crisis and as government did better, in grains, in the years immediately following the war. Then-but I fear not fore then-we may bope to get (a) food rationing and perhaps other rationing as well; (b) the massive shift from fodder grains to food grains which alone can quickly raise the world's effective food supoly: (c) let us bope, an end to the efforts of every pressure group in England to pass its sbare of austerity on to the backs of others! and even (d) a quickenad sense of national responsibility in a nation far better andowed than most by both bistory

and geography.

Meantime let us hope that beneath our disreputable public performances learning is going on. Learning takes time. It may not yet appear in action. It may none the less be real enough to trigger right action when the crunch comes. We shall soon see.

Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY VICKERS, Little Mead. Goring-on-Thames. Reading, Berkshire.

The Caprivi strip

From Mr B. A. Young Sir, Wheo the South Africans leave Namibia, should not something be done about the Caprivi Strip? This geographical absurdity o ever served any good purpose, and administra-tively it drives national barriers through tribal territories in a manner even more unnecessary than usual. It was once administered by the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and now that Botswana bas achieved adult nationhood I suggest she should be asked to take it over once more and rationalise the frootiers in that region. bave the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

28 Elm Park Gardens,

Sir, The police have bad a great deal of information to help them with the bombers; some of this must have come from otherwise good IRA men who cannot stand the

rule.

Censor and Ulster terrorism

From Lord Brookeborough Sir, I would be grateful if you would grant me space in your columns to dual with some of the matters raised by your Northern Ireland Correspon-

dent, Mr Fisk, in bis article on December 3, 1974.

Mr Flsk protested about the present restrictions being volun-tarily exercised by the media concerning the appearance of men of violence on the screen. He also poured scorn on the reported view of the GOC, Northern Ireland, that the IRA depended heavily on media exposure. But to many in Northern Ireland General King's comments thar "all terrorist organizations torive on propaganda and without the exaggerated attention of the media the IRA would probably have languished and died " will bave the ring of trutb.

What worries me most in this article is the attitude indicated by your Correspondent. He crinicizes so imaginary official censorship but makes no mention of the real threat. That threat is attempted censorship by the men of violence.

I can find no mention in your paper of the ricious attempt by the Provisional IRA in intimidate the press when they held at gunpoint for several bours two representatives of a London daily newspaper-at the same time as the bombs were exploding in Birmingham. Nor is this the first time that threats-veiled or otherwise-have been made to reporters by the terrorists.

Governments face a major problem on hour democracies should deal with terrorists. We have always welcomed dissenters: they advocate change by consent. The vile methods of the terrorist make his case different in kind, Faced with terrorism we must be prepared to take steps adequate to meet the threat In order to preserve our liberties for the future. Access to the media is a major weapon of modern terrorison; we must deprive them of

that weapon.

The directive under which RTE operates io the Republic of Ireland iodicates a sense of Government responsibility on this issue which we sbould scek to emulate.

Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien, the Dublin Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, summed up the problem very well when he said oo October

"Fake liberals protest against all 'repressive legislation', but the laws against crime are necessarily repressive, and armed coospiracy is the most dangerous of crimes.... If a democratic government is generally felt to bave abused its powers by excessive use of repressive legisla-tion then it falls and is replaced by enother democratic government. But if it fails to provide an adequate response to the armed conspiracy, and thereby succumbs to that con-

spiracy, then it will be succeeded by a dictatorship."
What price Mr Fisk's "Freedom of the Press "? BROOKEBOROUGH,

Asbbrooke, co Fermanagb.

From Mr Eric Blott Slr, Robert Fisk performs a praise-worthy public service with his article (December 3) attacking the concept of censorship, whether by dictat or self-imposition.

His opening quotation from an IBA spokesman: Our duty to inform the public on all aspects of the Irish situation will bave to be

the Irish situation will bave to be weighed against our other one which is not to give offence to others", spotlights the grave dangers inherent in this bighly emotive area.

Truth is that in a democracy worthy of the name it is often necessary to bring the public face to face with persons and opioions they find repugnant. The concept that "someone somewhere" will sween them one somewhere" will sweep theor quietly into obscurity so thar a particular group will not be offended irankly frightens me. How fur, t ask myself, is this from the same "someone somewhere" claiming the power to determine all I might see or hear? After all, many news items

are offensive to someone.

The NUJ has always subscribed to the riew that any censorship of news works against the interests of a free society. We spoke out forcibly against the timid, over-cautious approach to Irish affairs adopted by the BBC, and the state limitations imposed on our RTE members to the

Republic. Far from attacking Mary Holland and her television interview with David O'Connell (which, incidentally, those who saw it will have recognized as being anything but sympathetic), politicians and others ought rather to be comorending ber for providing the opportunity to see the kind of person who wishes to briog dcath and destruction to our

I don't believe it can be pure accident than Dr Goebbels found it advantageous to deny the German public access to the views of those who opposed the Nazi regime, or that an array of Communist states make similar use of such limitations. Robert Fisk is right to acknowledge that citizens are the poorer for being denied access to all points of view, even those of people who seek to intimidate us. Most certainly some sensibilities will be affronced on these occasions, but in the view of my Union this is a very small price

to pay for genuine freedom Yours suicerely. ERIC BLOTT, Deputy General Secretary. National Union of Journalists, 314 Grays Inn Road, WC1.

December 5.

Law of sedition

From Ms Patricio Hewltt and others Sir, We, the undersigned, consider the Incitement to Disaffection Act 1934 to be an unacceptable infringe-ment of free expression in this country.

The Act—which makes it an offence to "maliciously and advisedly endeavour to seduce any member of Her Majesty's Forces from his duty or allegiance" or to possess any document whose distribution amongst the Forces would consti-tute an offence—fell line disuse for over 30 years. In 1972, however, Michael Tobin was senienced to the maximum of two years' imprison-nicm, simply for possessing certain leaflets. He has oow appealed to rhe Europeau Commission of Human Rights. In May this year, Pat Arrowsmith was sentenced to 18 mooths imprisonment for distributing leaflets at an Army barracks, despite an earlier assurance from the Director of Public Prosecutions that she would not be so charged. In the last mooth, 14 more people bave been charged with offences under the Act, and with conspiring to breach

· The Act contains similar provisions to those of a number of other statutes in the confused and archaic field of sedition law. We consider it to be daogerous, invoking "pro-lection" of the Forces to justify intolerably wide powers of censor-Its introduction was opposed

be a powerful weapon in the bands of a government which decided to restrict the communication of ideas and information. That is precisely

bow it is being used today.

We therefore call for the repeal
of the Act and the withdrawal of ted, as the basis for a reform of the law of sedition, which would guarantee the rights of civillans to distribute material and rights of soldiers to read it. We do this in the know-ledge that such a call bas the surport of many members of the legal, literary, entertainment and teaching professions; as well as that of many trades uolooists, politicians and political organizations both in this country and abroad. Yours faitbfully,

PATRICIA HEWITT, Acting General Secretary, National Conocil for Civil Liberties, EDWARD BOND,

MARTIN ENNALS, Secretary General, Amoesty International. D. FRANCIS, Secretary, South Wales Area, National Union of Mine-

WILLIAM HETHERINGTON, National Vice-Chairmao, Peace Pledge Urdon, IOHN MORTIMER.

HAROLD PINTER. DORA RUSSELL.

DAN SMITH, Geoeral Secretary, Campaign for Nuclear Disarma-As from NCCL. 186. Kiogs Cross Road, WC1.

If the system is abolished, farmers

will bave to change their policy so that the farm can be ruo solely by

themselves, their family and perhaps some contract help.

This will result in a reduced out-

put of bome-grown food, particularly

from livestock farms, and an iocreased "drift" (or is it "pusb")

from the land.

There are, I know, some cases of

bardship but, in my opinioo, the Government should concantrate its

efforts on alleviating these rather

in 1934 on the grounds that it would are not members of the unioo.

Tied housing From Mr G. J. Main

Sir, May I, as a farm manager, liv-ing in a "ticd" bouse and therefore seeing both sides of the question. add a few comments? I am sorry thar a matter which is

largaly practical has become politi-cal and emotive. The result has been that much that bas been printed reads more like propaganda than statements of fact No one actually knows whether

the majority of farm workers are in favour of retaining tied cottages or not. To find this out one would have to hold a referendum! The official policy of the NUAW is to eod the system. This policy

may or may not represent the view of the majority of its members. However, a great number (and, I suspect a majority) of farm workers

than abolishing a whole system, which in spire of its drawbacks, does Yours faithfully.

G. J. MAIN, Bardogs Farm, Toys Hill. Westerham. Kent.

Health Service and Nalgo From Mr Brian Adcock

Sir, I read with dismay your report on December 3 about the mambers of the National and Local Government Officers Association (Nalgo) who work in the administrative and clerical branches of the National Health Service being called on by the union to ban all overtime, to work one hour a week less (two hours in London), and to work to

As with the action by Nalgo in June, this decision appears to be made by the National Executive Council without any effort whatso-ever to consult Nalgo members generally. I am a Nalgo member, and I can-

not discover who urged the National Executive Council to take this action. Even assuming that some branches urged this action, there was certainly no consultation with any other health branches throughout the country to discover whether this action would be approved.

Nalgo bas, in my view, now ex-posed itself to ridicule by calling upon its members to disrupt bospitals and other bealth service premises for the sake of a reduction of one bour in the basic working week. I would guess that most staff are not in the least interested in working one hour less because they know that the same amount of work must be completed within the reduced working week. In such circum-stances staff would feel more uoder

pressure and more frustrated. Nalgo was founded with the in-tention to promote staffs' interests ao that the public could be served better. It now appears to me that it is betraying these aims, and is no longer able to claim to represent accurately the views of its membars. Yours faithfully, BRIAN ADCOCK. District Adminis-

Tha Mid-Surrey District Surrey Area Health Authority, West Park Hospital, Horton Lane, Epsom, Surrey.

A fair balance in the arts

From Mr Robert Fleming Sir. With reference to today's Leader (December 9) "Striking a fair balance in the arts", the statement that the arts make no direct contribution to the balance of payments is not true.

At the moment, the number of plays and olayers on Broadway from England is a large proportion of the whole, and a return from royalties and sularies, at least in part, comes back to this country. This bas been in varying degrees from season ro season the case for many years. To which can be added similar situations thruughout the English-speaking world.

It might also be added that perhaps a little prestige may accrue-indeed, there is a strong cosc for the arts on rhe grounds of earnings in the export market to say nothing of the inducement to tourism in this country.

Secondly, it is nor true that no industrial sponsorship goes to regional activities. It does exist, and examples can be found, nithough it is still regrettably on a small scale. Mr Jenkins is right to bope for an increase in this direction, and it is to be hoped that he will be allowed practical means of encouraging it. Yours faithfully. ROBERT FLEMING, Garrick Club. WC2.

December 9. From Mr John Pudney Sir. While I doubt if you are right in stating that the arts "make no direct coorribution to the balance of payments" many people who compose, paint, or write for a living will agree with your statement that the Government would he right not

to lets its hand fall ton heavily nu the arts next year ". But look what the Government proposes to do to individuals selfemployed in the arts next year! Artists, writers and musicians are being assaulted by yet annther increase in state contributions which can only reduce their living standards at a time when employed people are clamouring for more and usually getting it. The cumuaign against the self-employed is going to knocks the arts very hard indeed. Yours faithfully,

4 Macarmey House. Chesterfield Walk, Greenwich Park, SE10.

Clergy stipends

JOHN PUDNEY.

Frum the Reverend P. H. Thompson Sir, The annouocement that incumbents are to receive an additional £1 per week to their stipend brings into perspective the plight of only one category to our society which has no redress against those who create inflation by excessive wage demands. The plight of the mar-ried clergy with children who bave loog borne their burden nobly, must now be reaching the state of the intolerable. The Church of Eng-land instituted the principle of v in the si: tecuth cen tury but it has never come to grips with the problem of providing adequately for them. The majority of the parochial Clergy have always been poor for the most ourt and with the gloomy proguostications of the decline of our national economy

it looks as though there is little prospect of them ever being any-Parishes are to be pressed to cuntribute to jucrease the stipends of their clergy to a coosiderable de-gree, but the fact remains that many will not bave the capacity to do so. The vastly increased costs of maintaining plant, etc. is going to be more than many will manage. The resources of the Church Commissioners are now stretched to their utmost taking into account pensions. widows' peusions, rates and main tenance of parsonage bouses.

Has not the time come for some courageous leadership and vision in the Church to revive the ideal of a celibate clergy? As an unmurried priest I am able to get by on a minimum London Dionesan cripend; I run a car and I have a holiday, but if the Church is tu reduce the number of men to be ordained on account of lack of money to pay them, the end can only be disas-

With an unmarried priesthood it would be possible for a number of clergy to live in a central house, each with his own self-contained apartment, perhaps sharing a common table and the expenses of a housekeeper and domestic help. Clergy houses are not for the most part satisfactory; where the clergy live in common. The main problem for the unmarried priesr is loocliness and domestic carc. Living separately in a central establishment would obvious this. Each priest would be responsible for his own parish with its own individua-lity; each parish would contribute the expenses of car, telephone, etc. In this way many extensive country areas as well as urban areas would be adequately provided with a priest.

And is there any reason wby rathedral dignitaries should receive stipends to excess of the parochial clergy? They could bave charge of churches in their area which did oot require a full time priest. Yours faithfully,

P. H. THOMPSON, 9 The Fairway, South Ruislip, Middlesex.

December 6.

Put upon? From Mr Geoffrey Popton

Sir, Can anyone explain the uponization of our towns—Stratford-upon !!
Avon, etc? Why is Burton upon but ! Stoke merely on the Trent? Is there some Royal town-upping court that confers the stately "upon", or can anyone join in—eg Leigh-upon-Sea.
Barrow within Furness, Barron Barton underneath Needwood, Stoke - not far-from-Nayland, Harrow-on-top-ofthe Hill?

Or perhaps further civic pride should be denied, and set aslde, and mortified? Youra faithfully. GEOFFREY PAYTON. Vineball, Snuth Zeal.

Okehampton, Devou. Dacember 5.

Paul Gallico

Mrs. Harris goes to Moscow

Catherine Cookson

The Mallen Litter

Monica **Dickens**

Last Year when I was Young .

Victor Canning

The Mask of Memory

Doris Leslie

The Incredible Duchess

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Helen Oxenbury & Brian Alderson

Cakes & Custard



Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. R. Kenyon and Miss M. A. Southhy The engagement is announced he-tween Martin Robert Kenyon, of 27 Sussex Mansions, Old Brompton Road, Londoo, SW7, eldest soo of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs W. P. Kenyon, of Lydbury North, Shrop shire, and Mary Anne Southby, nf 19 Cleveland Square, London, W2, daughter nf Lieutenant-Commander P. H. J. and Lady Anne Southby, anf Guadalmina, Spaio.

Captain W. R. H. Cobbam, RA and Miss I. J. Mullin The engagemem is anounced between William, soo of Mr and Mrs R. H. Cobbam, of Uley, Gloucestershire, and Janine, ynunger daughter of Brigadler and Mrs W. S. Mullio, of 27 Kensington Square. London, W8.

Mr N. Finer and Miss S. T. Dent
The engagement is annunced
between Nicholas, ynunger son of
the Han Mr Justice and Lady
Finer, of Hampstead, and Susan
Teresa, second daughter of Profesand Mrs Charles Dent, of

Mr C. D. Kimpton
and Miss C. A. Wynne-Tyson
The engagement is annunced
hetweeo Charles, younger son of
Mr and Mrs J. A. Kimpton, of
Knowle's Tooth. Hurstpierpoint,
Sussex, and Caroline, elder daughice of Mr and Mrs J. Wynne-Tysoo, of Paddocks, Footwell.

Mr P. G. Westcott
and Miss C. E. Joliy
The engagement is announced
between Philip Graham, nnly son
of Mr and Mrs George Westcott,
of Hildenborough, Kent, ond
Carole Elizabeth, only daughter of
Mr and Mrs Alan R. Joliy, of

25 years ago

likley, Yorkshire.

From The Times of Saturday, December 10, 1949 From Our United Nations

Flushing Meadow, Dec 9—The Gen-ral Assembly, by 38 votes to 14, with seven abstemions, took the nistoric decision late tonight to place Jerusalem and the Holy laces outside the city under a full international statute adminis-ered by the United Nations. The Trusteeship Council is directed to iraw up the necessary documents by the Soviet States, was not to be und proceed to their execution, denied.

From early morning this last full-dress debate of the Assembly -and an extraordinary one it was -had witnessed an eleventh-hour endeavour, led by Britain and the United States, to sway members from this extreme course. But the solid hloc of Catholic and Muslim votes, joined throughout



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 10: The Queeo held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace

Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

Mr James Hamiltno, MP (Vice-Chamberlain of the Hinusehold) was received in audience by Her Majesty and presented Addresses from the House of Commons to which The Queen was graciously pleased to make reply.

The Duke of Edinburgh this morning gave a lecture to the Students of The Royal College of Defence Studies at Seaford House, Belgrave Square, and was later Belgrave Square, and was later entertained at luncheon.

His Royal Highness, as Patrnn of the Outward Bnund Trust, gave a Reception at Buckingham Palace this evening for Friends of the

Tust.

The Duke of Ediohurgh, as President, attended the Bicentenary Dinner of the Royal Society of Arts at John Adam Street and subsequently presented the Albert and the Benjamio Franklin Medals for 1974. Medals for 1974.

Major Henry Hugh Smith was in attendance. Her Majesty was represented by the Earl of Westmarland (Lord in

the Earl of Westmarland (Lord in Waining) at the memorial Service for His Excellency Air Erskine H. Childers (President of the Remublic of Irelaod) which was held at Si Peter's Church, Eaton Square, this marning.

By command of The Queeo, the Lord Winterbottom (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, today upon the arrival of The Sultan Qaboos hin Said of Oman and welcomed His Majesty on behalf of Her Majesty.

CLARENCE HOUSE

CLARENCE HOUSE
December 10; Queen Elizabeth
The Queen Minther this afternoon
opened the Exhibition of the
Sulfolk Collection at Ranger's
House, Blackheath.
Airs Patrick Campbell-Preston
and Major John Griffin were in

attendance.

Her Majesty this evening himoured the President of the Royal Society of Arts (The Duke of Edinburgh) with her presence at the Bicentenary Dioner and afterwards received the Albert Medal for 1974.

Mer Berriell, Comphell Presence. Mrs Patrick Campbell-Prestoo nd Sir Martin Gilliat were in

KENSINGTON PALACE December 10: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Ball held at Biba's Restaurant, W8, in aid of Actioo Research for the

Crippled Child.
Alrs Jocelyn Stevens was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE December 10: The Duke of Koot, as Colonel, today received Colonel
Aurray de Klee on his appointment as Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding Scots Guards and Colonel
Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Et. on relinquishing this
appointment.

appoinment.

The Duke of Keot, President of the Royal Nathunal Life-Boat Institudoo, and The Duchess of Kent this evening attended the Life-Boat and Mermaid Ball at the Dor-chester Hotel. Licutenant-Commander Richard Buckley. RN, and Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell were in attendance.

Mr P. J. Barton and Miss V. E. Sociling

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The engagement is announced hetween Paul John, elder son of Mrs Peter Doughty, of Cherry Burton, and Victoria Beverley, elder daughter of Commander Michael Trevor Snelling, RN, of Camberley, Surrey, and Mrs Angela Banks, of Bisbop Burton, and first granddaughter of Sir Basil and granddaughter of Sir Basil and Lady Parkes, of East Yorkshire.

and Miss J. P. F. M. Glenny The engagement is announced between Hugh, younger son of Mr and Mrs R. Phillip Bache, of The Erook House, Himbleton, near Droitwich, Worcestershire, and Josephine, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Raymond Glenny, of Cros-combe Cottage, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire.

Mr R. J. Grievson and Miss J. C. Peyton-Jones The engagement is announced The engagement is announced between Richard, younger soo of Mrs Rubert Francis, of 19 Scarsdale Villas, W8, and Julia, eldest daughter of Mr Jeremy Peyton-Jooes, of Rodsall Manor, Pottenham, Guildford, and of Mrs Rhooa Peytoo-Jones, of 6 Douro Place, W8

Mr A. R. Noble and Miss C. S. Birrell The engagement is acnounced hetween Arthur, only son of Mr and Mrs A. W. Noble, of Rosemiland, Fivemiletown, co Tyrone, Northern Ireland, and Carolyo, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R. D. Birrell, of Grants, Grants Lane, Limpsfield, Oxted, Surrey.

Mr M. J. Mowat and Miss C. B. Farrar Bell

The engagement is announced between Martio, son of Mr and Mrs John Mowat, of Lake House, Ellesmere, Salop, and Charlotte, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. C. Farrar Bell, of Haddenham, Buckingbamshire.

phatever the attitude of interested Governments—and indging by the declarations of Israel and the Kiogdom of Jordan, the military occu-pants of the city, it has an oner-



Dr Coggan and Lord Astor of Hever examining one of the cathedral windows that have been

Crisis fund cathedral

By Philip Howard Dr Coggan, in his first important public appearance since his con-firmation as Archbisbop of Canterfirmation as Archbishop of Canter-hury, used the apportunity yesterday to launch an appeal for £3.5m to rescue the cathedral where he will be enthroosed in Jaouary. While Archbishop of York, Dr Caggan successfully campleted a £2m appeal for York Minster, at that date the largest sum everraised for a single building. In the great hammer-beamed hall of Lambeth Palace, be said: "If we go to it with a will, I have an shadow of doubt that the appeal will succeed."

He said he believed the state should contribute to preserving great church huildings, "if only on pragmatic grounds. These great

Foreign and Commoowealth Office

Mr R. S. Scrivener. Assistant Under-Secretary for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Mrs Scrivener were hosts yesterday at lunchenn at the Hyde Park Hotef on the occasion of the Anglo-Bulgarian cultural talks.

Langham Life Assurance Company Mr Robert McCrindle, MP, was host at a luncheoo of the Langham Life Assurance Company at the House of Commons yesterday. Some 40 insurance brokers were

Royal Society of Arts The Duke of Edinburgh, as presi-

dent, presided and preseoted the society's gold Albert Medal to Queen Elizabeth the Queeo Mother at a bicentenary diooer of the Royal Society of Arts last night. He also presented Dame Margot Footeyn de Arias with the society's Rentantin Franklin Medal. The

Benjamin Franklin Medal. The guests, who represented the per-forming arts, were received by Sir John Stratton, a vice president, and

other members of the council.

members of Parliament, representa-tives of the Foreign and Common-wealth Office, and members of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian Cnuncil, with their ladies.

Lord Balerno
Lord Balerno was host last night
at the Honse of Lords for the
annual London dinner of the Old
Glenalmonds. Sir Alec DouglasHome was in the chair and proposed the toast Floreat Glenalmood, to which the warden, Mr
J. Musson, replied.

Royal College of

Physicians, Edinburgh

Dr J. W. Croftoo has been re-

elected president of the Royal

College of Physicians, Edinburgh,

with Dr R. F. Robertson as vice-

president, and Dr James Innes,

Dr A. K. M. Macrae, Dr Hamish

Watson, Dr A. J. Keay and Dr

Clifford Mawdaley as members of

The Queen was represented by the Earl of Westmorland at a memorial service for Mr Erskine Childers beld yesterday at St Peter's, Eaton Square. The Rev Desmond B. Tillyer, officiated and read a lesson. The Ambassador for the Republic of Ireland also read a lesson, and the Bishop of London pronounced the blessing. The Lord Chancellor represented her Majesty's Government, Mr Edward Heath. MP. was represented by Mr.

Heath, MP, was represented by Mr Ian Gilmour, MP, and Mr Jeremy Thorpe, MP, by Lord Amulree.

Lord Kilmany to be Lord Lieuten-

Lord Fraser as a member of the

Privy Cooncil.

Mr V. Coleman, formerly of Kiog George's Fund for Sailors, to be director of the National Childbirth

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

ant of Fife.

The Queen was represented by the

Memorial service

Mr E. Childers

Luncheons

Receptions

Canning House

Dinners

churches bring a very great deal of mnney into the country from the very many penple who come to Britain just in see buildings like Canterbury Cathedral."

The mother church of Christianity in England, whose roots stretch back to Augustine, needs as much muney as would buy a seventh of a Concorde or a few yards of of a Concorde or a few yards of Channel tunnel to maintain itself as it has fur the past eight centuries as a monumental witness to man's belief in God. Without immediate restoration, the medieval stained glass, built by William of Sens between 1170 and 1190, will disintegrate. The same corrusive acids in the modern atmosphere are crumbling the stonework and will destroy the fabric if nothing is done. Inflation threatens the long tradition of choral music, and without the appeal the choir of Canterbury will be silenced.

Canon Joseph Robinson, canon

Canon Joseph Robinson, canoo treasurer of the cathedral, said: "This is a national project, because Canterbury Cathedral stands for something for us all, and beloogs to us all, oot as a

Institute of Chartered Secretaries

and Administrators
The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators yesterday held its annual dinner in Guild-

hall. Guests were welcomed by Sir Stanley Morton, president of the institute, accompanied by Lady Wycherley, Speakers after dinner included the Lord Major, the Earl

Selkirk, Lord Redcliffe-Maud,

Sir Stanley Morton. Mr David Marwood, vice-president, and Lord Nethertborpe. The other

guests inclinded:
The Ambassadors of Bennark and South
Africa, the High Contussioner of 'dalaysal and senior representative, of commerce, Industry, the public service and
life professions.

Air Squadron A dinner of the Air Squadron was

held last night at Boodle's. Amoog

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Mr Simon Amos, the Hon Hugh Asior.
Group Captain Oouglas Bader. Mr
Marim C. Barracough. the Hon
Anthony Captain For Mr
Anthony Captain Hugh Rundas, Mr Robin
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Graper. Mr Nor Faultoner. Mr
Anthony Halg-Thomas. Inc Hon Patrick
Lindsay, Mr Badil Mavoleoti, Malor
David Complath-Maxwell, Mr Renneth
Backlithee, Mr Ocsmond Normon, Mr
Thomas Sopwith. Mr Thomas Storey.
Lord Straincard. Lord Strain Captain Auf
Gommonder Alderman and Sherill the
Ion Peter Vonneck, Mr Gerald Ward,
Lord Walerpark, and Colonel John S.
Williams-Wynne.

Educational Publishers Council The chairman, Educational Pub-

lishers Council, Mr John Nesbitt,

the director and members of the executive entertained at dinner members of Parliament of all parties at the Lafayette Restaurant

A dioper of the Law Society
Cricket Club was held last night
at the Law Society's ball. Mr T. L.
Outhwaite was in the chair, Other
speakers were Mr E. H. S. Single

ton, president of the Law Society,

Mr J. L. Buwron, secretary geoeral, and Mr Frank Crozier.

Vincent's Club, Oxford
The anoual dinner of Vincent's
Club was held at the Savoy Hotel
last night. Mr 1. S. O. Haslewood
was in the chair and Mr Edward
Heath was guest of honour.

Sir Anthony Abell, 68; Admiral Sir Edward Ashmore, 55; Sir Harold Banwell, 74; Lieotenant-Colonel Sir Walter Burrell, 71;

Lieutenant-General Sir Neil Cantile, 82: Air Chief Marshal Sir Alfred Earle, 67; Sir Clavering Fison, 32; Lieutenant-General Sir

Kenneth McLean, 78; Mr Clifford Michelmore, 55; Sir Donald Sargent, 68; Sir Eric Scntt, 83.

The marriage took place at Wantage, Oxfordshire oo December

between Mr Richard Lithgow.

son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs W. S. P. Lithgow, and Miss Emma Holt, daughter of the late Mr Jeremy John Holt and Mrs Richard Cobbold.

The Queen has appointed the Prince of Wales to be Great Master

of the Order of the Bath. He will

succeed his great-uocle, the late

Mr John Cuckney, Senior Crown Agent and Chairman of the Board of Crown Agents, to be a deputy

chairman of Stanley Gibbons

Mr J. H. Loveridge, Bailiff of

Guernsey, to be a Judge of Appeal

Order of the Bath

Birthdays today

Marriage

Mr R. P. Lithgow

and Miss E. Holt

yesterday evening.

Law Society Cricket Club

museum or an empty ouilding but as a house of God."

Even before the official inauguration of the appeal. \$750,000 has been given, and Kent County Council is debailing a recommendation to contribute \$500,000. Lord Astor of Hever, seneschaf of the cathedral and president of the appeal, said: "If we do nothing, what will our successors think of us of the twentieth century?"

An exhibition of the dears of An exhibition of the decay of the cathedral was on view in Lambeth Palace and will be opened shortly at Canterbury, it contains some of the medieval windows, nearly completely eaten away by nearly completely eaten away by chemicals in the atmosphere that are turned to sulphuric acid by rain. Beneath the layers of gypsum, hydrated silica, and calcium sulphate, the glass is corroded to less than a quarter of its original thickness.

thickness.

One of the "gengalogical panels", depicting the descent of Christ from Adam, took three craftsmen six months to restore the intricate process of moulding, scrubbing, and splinning, it involved the repair of 140 separate pieces of glass.

Today's engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as president of the Royal Society of Arts, attends inangural Tolansky memorial lecture given by Sir Owen Saunders, entitled "Can science solve the energy problem?", John Adam Street, Adelphi, 6 pm; attends a dinner given by the Rectamation Industries Council at the Ritz Hotel, 8 pm. Princess Alice Duchess of Glou-

cester attends reception given by the Mayor of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Chelsea Old Town Hall, 9,15 pm.

The Duchess of Kent, as president, visits Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, 11.50. Milton tercentenary exhibition, British Museum, 10-5.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev N. J. Crowle, curate of St. Ciles's, Eatlerton, ditocese of Soothewell, to be Vicar of Sr Aidan's, Easterton, same diocese.

The Rev J. A. Davies, Rector of Eastendon and Woodnill, Hatrick, diocrese of St Albans, to be Rector of Liftie Berthamsted, same diocese.

The Rev G. Gale, curate of St John the Baptist, Bilborrough, Northogham, diocese of Southwell, as priest-inchange of St John the Beptist, Colwick, same diocese. things of John the Reputs', Coswick, same diocese

The Rev J. II. Horne, curate of Dan-bury, diocese of Chelmsford, to be Vicar of Framplon, diocese of Lincoln. The Rev R. H. Harrison, Rector of Fen Dillon, Cambridge, and Rural Dean of Cuy. diocese of Etc. to be Vicar of Westling, same diocese. The Rev I. Harland, Vicar of SI Culhbert's, Fir Vale, Sheffleld, on the Chestleld, diocese of Sheffleld, io be Vicar of All Saints'. Rolbertham, same diocese, Vicar of Hermitage, Chestleld, chapter of Wellingford, pame diocese. The Rev G. Knight, chaptain of the Royal Navy College, Greawich, diocese of Southwark, to be Rector of Linion with Hebden, diocese of Bradford.

The Rev R. Perned, Vicar of Si

The Rev G. Kriseni, tractian of the Royal Nary Collège, Greenwich, diocese of Southwark. Ic be Rector of Linion with Hebden, diocese of Bradford.

The Rev R. Perneo, Vicar of Si James the Green Clayton, diocese of Lincoln. The Rev M. De Rector of St Mark's. Shinose the Green Clayton, of St Mark's. Shinose the Green Clayton, of St Mark's. Shinose the Rev R. G. Rider, Vicar of Old Leake, diocese of Lincoln, to be Rector of Hariarton, some diocese. The Rev R. G. Slater. chaplain to Winchester, to be oriest-in-chapte of Amplied, same diocese. The Rev R. G. Slater. chaplain to Winchester, to be oriest-in-chapte of Amplied, same diocese. The Rev R. G. Slater. chaptain to Winchester, to be oriest-in-chapte of Amplied, same diocese of Saltsbury, lib be Rev T. Stitchury. Rector of Burlot Rev R. Southees, diocese of Saltsbury, in the Rev R. Shipper C. Same diocese. The Rev R. G. Slater, same diocese of Portamoch, to be Anglican chaptain to the North London Polytechnic, diocese of London. The Rev M. O. West, Rector of Lydiard Müllicen) with Lydlard-Tregoz, diocese of Blackburn.

Diocese of Blackburn Canon J. M. W. Adem. honorary canon of alackburn Cathedral. to be a canon emeritus.

The Rev E. M. J. Cornish, Rector of Ribchester. to be honorary canon of Bleckburn Cathedral.

Diocese of Derby Diocese of Derby
The Rev P. G. C. Beck, Vicar of St.
Mark's. Brampton, Chesterfield, to be
pricet-in charge of al Michael and All
Angels. Aivaston.

The Rev. John Oltham, Vicar of
duxton, to be rector of the Buxton
team ministry.

M. Roberts, Vicar of
Casilicton to be a leam vicar in the
duxton leam ministry with particular
responsibility for reducational work.

The Rev B. C. Middleton, curale of
St. Margarel's. Prestwich, diocese of
Manchesler, to be a leam vicar with
particular responsibility for hosoltal
work in the Buxton team ministry.

The Rev T. E. Jones, Rector of Si
Wilfred'c. Newton Heath, diocese of
Macchester, to be diocesan adviser for
social responsibility.

Diocese of Gibraltar

The Rev H. Greenwood to be assistant priess of Si George's Marida. The Rev H. J. Householm. Cursus at the London Ta Presibury, diocese of Giocester, to Precentor at Holy Trimity Cathedra. Gibraltar, and Port Missioner.

The Rev M. S. Loa, cursus of Emmanuel Church, Northwood, diocese of London, to be chaptain at St George's Barcelone.

Carton J. K. Moody, chaptain at al Phillio and St James. Pelms de December 12.

Latest wills Miss Helen Elizabeth Brumwell, of Worthing, left £18,762 (not duty shown). She left ber home to the Methodist Ministers Housing Society, and the residue to the Methodist Ministers Retirement Mallorca, to be chaplain at St Andrew's, Tangler. Diocese of Gloucester

estimate £3,000-£4,000).

By Geraldine Norman

The Rev N. Haddock, Vicar of St Luke's, Cheltenham, the Rev II. R. Lyon, Vicar of St Mark's, Gloucester, and the Rev E. H. Tucker, Vicar of Holy Trinty, Strond, to be honorary Canons of Gloucesler Cathedral. Diocese of Portsmouth

The Rev N. H. Crowder, Vicar of S. John's, Ryde, to be diocesan director of religious education. Diocese of Riport

The Ret M. Brown, Vicar of Franca Lynch, Stroud, diocese of Gloocester, to be priest-in-charge of Aysparth. The Ret J. T. Roe, secretary of the Diocesan Board of Mission and Unity, to be also part-time domestic chaplain to the bishop.

Diocese of Sodor and Man Canon C. A. Caman. Canon of St German's Cathedral, to be canon cements Canneda, to be canon emeritus. The Rev P. C. H. Malthews, Vicar of Si George's. Douglas, end Rural Rean of Douglas, Isle of Man, to be a canon of Si Geomer's Cathodral.

Diocese of Southwark Diocese of Southwark

The Rev P. B. Challen, Rector of
Christ Church, Southwark, and senior
chapioin of the South London Industrial
Vission, to be humorary catno of Soothwark Cathedral.

The Rev B. V. Jecob. Vicar of
Mortlake, to be also Rural Dean of
Richmond and Barnes.

The Rev R. V. King, Vicar of Si
Mary Magdalene, Pecchiam, and Rural
Bean of Camberwell, to be honorary
cango of Soothwark Cathedral.

The Rev G. Naim-Briggs, curate of
all Saviour's, Raynes Park, to be Vicar
of Christ the King, Sallords. Diocese of Southwell

The Rev II. A. Bowles, curate of St Joho the Baptist, acostom. Northngham. Is to begin training for a tour of derly as Angilcan chaolate on Assach in the Angilcan Province of South Africs.

Resignations and retirements Resignations and retirements
The Ray M. W. Hickin. Rector of
Runwell, clocese of Cheimsford, on
January 51.
Canon A. R. Johnston, Vicar of
June 30.
The Rey W. G. O'Comor, Vicar of
Holbock, Leeds, diocese of Ripoo, on
January 51.
Canon J. B. Siurdy, Vicar of Goran
with 21 Micheel Caerhaye, diocese of
Truro, on January 9.
The Rey B. Whitworth-Hurrison, Rec-Thurs, on January 9.

The Rev B. Whitworth-Harrison, Rector of Lausbam, diocese of Cheimsford,
Hecember 21.

The Oneen is to attend the world charity premiere of the film The Island at the Top of the World on December 16 at the Leicester Square Theatre, London, in aid of the London Taxidrivers' Fund for Underprivileged Children.

Princess Alice Dochess of Gloucester will be present at London House, Mecklenburgh Square, on

for Jersey.

Mr D. F. Roberts as private Society secretary to Mr Peart, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Fund.

Other estate include (net, before duty paid; further duty may be payable on some estates): Wood, Sir Frank, of Bickley, Kent. Secretary, Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, intestate (no duty shown) £28,974
Schilling, Mr Edmund, of Edgware,
(no daty show) £144,308

Wedical Research Council, £17,463 for in investigation of cellular binding sites or polynucleotides during interferon induction.

To Professor R. Whittenbury and Dr H.
Halton from the Science Research Council, £24,892 for a cludy of methano
oxidation. Rivessen fixation, end cocil. 524.392 for a citedy of mothemo exidation. filtresen fitzation. end co-cidation in methylobecteria. To Professor F. G. Pyan from the Ministry of Oversons Revelopment. £16.271 for oconomic accounting and planning with particular reference to employment and facame distribution ideveloptog countries). To fir D. K. Bowen from the Science Research Council. £10.796 for research on dynamic experiments in X-ray topography (collaborative project with the University of Paris).

To fir M. T. G. Hughes from the Science Research Council £30.710 for research on dynamic analysis and control and automotive systems.

To fir R. G. Rhodes from the Science Research Council. £21.326 for research on the lightstim and propulsion of high speed vehicles using superconductive magnets. magnets.
To Professor I. B. A. Epstein from the Science Research Council. 217,000 for research on follations symposium.
To Ir 2. T. Golding from the Science Research Council. 215, 153 for research on aspects of the metabolism of methyl

OBITUARY

MR JOHN GORDON Hard-hitting and controversial Fleet Street editor

birthday.

By Geraldine Norman
Saic Room Currespondent
Sothehy's yesterday sold a rare
Zarich ourcelain figure of Summer
for £15,000; they had estimated a
mere £1,500-£2,000. The gap
between estimate and outrurn was
not in this case a question of
ignorance but rather one of
geography. The value that Swiss
collectors set on Zarich porce-He was recognized by many journalists as oue of the great craftsmen of his day and a master in the art of producing collectors set on Zurich porce-lain was demonstrated last May when Setheby's sold the Schwar-zenbach collection in Zurich; the a weekly newspaper. In that respect he was preeminent among the innumerable Scots of his generation who made their top price for a figure (an auction record) on that occasion was way to Fleet Street. A wider public knew him as

£18,156. Sotheby's yesterday had set their a hard-hitting controversialist: the writer of a weekly column that exposed the week's injustices, criticized incompe-tence and extravagance in high estimates on the assumption that a London sale would not attract the main Swiss collectors, or prices comparable to thuse realized in Zurich. They were wrong. A figure of Summer in the Schwerplaces, and inveighed against anything that savoured to him zerbach collection, from the same mould, but slightly less deliciously painted, was sold for £4,888 in of moral laxity.
He was admired as their

May.
The top price to the Schwarchampion by readers who relt themselves at the mercy of harsh authorities; he was despaired of as a puritanical bigot by those who felt that zenirach sale was for an allegorical figure of Painting. Its pair, an allegorical figure of Sculpture, a allegorical rights of Schipfure, very rare but less attractive figure, brought £8,500 (estimate £2,000-£3,000) yesterday.

But nothing is predictable. The May sale saw a marvellous pair of figures of huntsman and huntsman allegorical changed times warraoted such reforms as, for example, the Wolfenden repart proposed. But he had the courage of his convictions and no one would deny that he expressed them cogently

of figures of huntsman and bunts-woman, allegorizing Antumn, ot £11,872. Yesterday a huntsman made £1,850 (estimate £1,800-£2,500) while a huntswoman made £5,000 (estimate £2,000-£3,000).— Apart from these pieces the sale held few surprises. Yalues gener-ally came op to estimated levels, but there was the now familiar crops of unsold lots. and vigorously.
Yet it was not until the early part of the last war when he was 50 years old that John Gorden hecame a columnist. His success as a journalist was based on his crop of ursold lots.
Socheby's saie of Indian and
primitive works of art included
both the British Museum and the skill as a sub-editor, in handling and presenting, that is, what others had written. Only because both the British Museum and the Victoria and Albert Museum among the buyers. The British Museum spen: \$2,600 (estimate \$2,000-\$23,000) on an Ekoi stone male figure and the Victoria and Albert \$1,300 (estimate \$1,000) on he had been let down by a regular contributor one Saturday in 1940 did he step into the hreach and produce a column of com-ment on how the war was going.

It was humorously observed two rare Tibetan artist's sketch at the time that he felt it was not fair to leave the whole job of inspiring the nation to Churchill. He took up his pen books.

The star items of the sale were unsold: a Fang male wond reliquary figure at £3.800 (esd-mate £5.000-£7.000) and a fragmentary Benin hronze plaque at £2.200 (estimate £3.000-£4.000). as if it were a claymore and swung it in all directions. His style was direct and forceful estimate £3,000-£4,000).
In a sale of oriental manuscripts and mimaures there were two oil portraits on metal of the Qujar school, dating from about 1840. Both were of young girls, depicted half-length; one fetched £4,000, the niner £3.500.
Postcard record: In a Phillips are trought of books a record price of with no frills. In fact, at times it possessed an Old Testament ferocity that made him sound

like a prophet, That column was an instant success. Indeed, its impact on Postcard record: In a Prinips anction of books a record price of £2,200 was paid for an album of \$30 postcards, including many Boer War and political subjects. The album, estimate £1,000 was bought by the Postcard Collectors' Centre, Birmingham. There was keen comparising for warm postcard loss in readers of the Sundou Express was comparable with the impact on listeners to the radio when, about the same time, J. B. Priestley took over the Sunday night Postscript. In each in-stance a new, refreshing and Birmingham. There was keen competition for many postcard lots in the sele. A group of 12 Art Nonveau postcards by Ralph Kircher averaged £10 cach, four times their estimate. An English atlas of 1675 by John Ogilby went to Weinribb for £1,300 (estimate £750). The sale rotailed £15,261. vigorous voice was heard in the land. John Gordon, having thus discovered himself, relished his role of commentator and when the war was over nursued it in peacedme under the hanner of "Curreot Affairs". It was a column you loved or hated according to your tastes or views.

All this, of course, was a mere detail in his work as editor of the Sunday Express. True, ir reflected something of the character of the man: bis pride in his Scottish blood, his inborn puritanical streak, his pleasure in hard work, his hatred of injustice and oppression. and his doggedness as a bonnie fechter. The same characteristics were disceroible in his work as an editor.

John Rutherford Gordoo was born in Dundee on December 8, 1890, and after leaving school there went straight to work as an office boy in his home town. In later life be could tell the impatient lads of a new generation that he bad started work at 4s 6d a week, but he put it in moch sounder perspective in Who's Who: "For seven years went through an intensive training in all departments of newspaper work in the offices of the Dundee Advertiser and its weekly, the People's Journal." There is still no better foundation for a career in journalism. His apprenticeship ended, the

young Gordon's sights were firmly set on Fleet Street. But the 1914-18 War interrupted his progress and for that period he was on active service with the Army as a signaller of non-

Mr John Gordon, editor-in- him that much better to app chief and for many years editor clate in later years the mi of the Swiday Express, died on Monday, the day after his 84th ary serviceman. He returned journalism after the war fiin the London office of ; , Glasgow Herald and then on t

London Evening News. He rapidly became thoroughly proficient sub-edit a post which criten keeps i young journalist close to paper's sources of power. 1922 he had become chief si editor of the Evening News a undoubtedly it was the death Northcliffe that year which him, in 1924, to accept a simi post on the Dully Express unt the rising star of Beaverbro His ability and enthusia allied with a passion for his work, quickly endeared him

Beaverbrook.

In 1928 Beaverbrook apported him editor of the Sime Express, a post he held join for the next twn years w James Douglas, who had be in the chair since 1920, it y curinus partnership, Doog being mainly a writing man w some reputation as a liter critic and, when he scen-scandal, an impassioned r that inspired disrespectful t leagues of those far oil days dub him "Fleet Street's

sister ". Gordon, by contrast, was . masterly technician who coquickly gauge the oews va of any story, strike a balan hetween half a dozeo of th and see that they were prorrionately well displayed, the give a critical plance at featu and ensure that they, too, wastrikingly set out; and when wrote it was briefly and to point, sometimes angrily i

always pithily.

Gordon was ever insist that news, first and forem made and sold a newspar. Commeot and entertainment. used to say, were necessadditions, so that by mixing light and shade there was a u and satisfactory reflection life.

The Sundov Express to deliberately picked the mid-class home as its market a Gordon's avowed aim was to gthat market a paper that y always vigorous, alert and cle In 1928 its circulation was about 560,000; when Gordon died was more than 4,000,000 a bad long since absorbed chief rival, the Sunday Disput His share in hringing abother success was undoubter great, and across the years was generously rewarded Lord Beaverbrook, becoming director of Beaverhrook Ne papers Ltd. Their early as ciation had ripened into wa and intimate friendship wben Beaverbrook died Gord hecame a member of Beaverbrook Truss.

They had much in commo above all, a sturdy individu ism. Gordon, in particulated the idea of be "shoved around" and the more than anything else, at the root of his freque weekly attacks on all sorts officials and authorities of h degree and low.

He enjoyed his success in l and its material rewards ne deflected him from the pl living and high thinking the were part of his Scorrish hringing. He encouraged I adventurous spirt in you journalists who, for their or could see it so well exemplifi in the veteran.

It is pleasant to reflect the

when Winston Churchill di and John Gordon strung gether a few personal memor about the great mao in i weekly column, he recall with happiest pride the frient talks they used to have in Di dee during the 1910 electi when one was the Liber candidate and the other junior reporter covering t campaign.

Gordon's first wife, Evely whom he married in 1915, di in 1966. In 1972 be married commissioned rank.

It was an enriching experience io so far as it enabled in 1900. In 1972 be married wislow, Mrs Margaret Blunde Ince, a former person assistant to Lord Beaverbrook

strong interest in Strindber

MISS ELIZABETH SPRIGGE

Miss Elizaheth Sprigge died in London on Monday at the age of 74. As novelist, hiographer, translator and lec-turer at least 40 years of her life was bound up with literary production. She was for many years a friend of Tvy Compton-Burnett and in 1973 published

Born on June 19, 1900, she
was the elder daughter of Sir
Squire Sprigge, somenme
editor of the Lancet; a sister of Cecil Sprigge, who had a distinguished career with the Manchester Guardian, the Econo-mist and Reuters; and a sisterin-law of Sylvia Sprigge, Cecil Sprigge's second wife, herself Manchester Guardian correspondent in Italy after the Second World War. Elizabeth Miriam Squire

Sprigge was educated at St Panl's Girls' School, Havergal College, Toronto, and Bedford College, London. She lived in Sweden in the early 1920s, acquired a close knowledge of the language and developed a

whose plays she was later translate into English and whom sbe published a bi graphy (The Strange Life t August Strindberg, 1949). She published her first nove A Shadowy Third, in 1929 ar this was followed by Fair Amorist; The Old Man Dies Castlein Andalusia; The Sc. of the House and The Raven Wing. She also wrote som children's novels, among ther Children Alone; Pony Trocks and Two Lost on Dartmoor. Sh was at the Ministry of Inform tion from 1941 to 1944 as Swedish specialist and from 1949 to 1952 was Director of the Watergate Theatre. After th Second World War she pro duced biographies of Gertrud Stein and Dame Sybil Thori dike and with Jean-Jacque Kihm wrote Jean Cocteau The Man and the Mirror. She married in 1921 Mar Napier. There were tw daughters of the marriag

MR JAMES WARDROP

Mr James Collett Wardrop, Sbafteshury, had a long and uousually varied career in the Foreign Service.

Born in 1913 and educated at Bradfield and Oxford, he entered the Levant Consular Service in 1935. In 1939, after training in Beirot and service in Barcelona and Vienna, he was posted to Breslau, mainly observe German military preparations, and was re

patriated when war broke out. In 1940 he was posted to Bergen, only to be captured io the German invasion of Norway and interned in a camp where he met his future wife.

Released on exchange in 194 CBE, who died recently in be spent three years in Beiru and in 1945 was appointed First Secretary in Oslo, a congenia post for one bilingual i Norwegian. In the next fev years he served in the Britisl Information Services in New York, headed the British delega tion in Geneva, and served with the Atomic Energy Commission in Vienna, these posts being interspersed with service in the Foreign Office. From 1961 he spent three

which was dissolved in 1946.

hard years as Consul-Geoera at Loanda, during which he wacreated CBE, and was thet appointed Chief Passport Officer, from which post he retired in 1967.

Science report

Paraquat: Treatment for a lethal dose

The weedkiller paraquat is a par-icularly unpleasant poison, which is been responsible for well over thundred deaths in recent years. Accidental death occurs in farming communities and paraquat has also seen used for suicide and murder. Coocentrated paragnat may be old only by a registered merchant or bbarmacist and only to persons

concerned with agriculture or corticulture. Unfortunately, norticulture. Unfortunately, workers on smallholdings and tarms often take supplies home in heer or leosonade botrles, and cores of accidents have occurred whoo a child has drunk paraquat from such a container. The danger lies in the toxicity and the lack of an effective treat-ment. The fatal dose is as little as

a tablespoonful, and although large doses kill quickly, with smaller qoantities death from progressive damage to the lungs may be delayed for days or even weeks. The delay between ingestion and the first signs of lung damage bas eocouraged doctors to try a variety of treatment. Attempts have heed made to remove paragnat from the body by dialysis oo an artificial

in ooe case lung transplantation was carried out late in the progress of the illoess, but the transplanted lung was itself affected by the paraquat still in the body.

Research at the ICI laboratories io Cheshire has led to a treatment that may prove effective, although so far it has been assessed only in

rats. With rats as with man the

lungs are the organs most severely affected. The research showed that absorp-

tion of paraquat could be much reduced if the rats were given a mixture of fuller's earth and bentonite -both natural forms of aluminium silicate. Those substances bind the paraquat and prevent its absorption from the intestines. When ten rats, after being given

a lethal dose of paraquat, were treated four hours later with the mixture, there were oo deaths; when ireatment was delayed ten hours, eight of the teo treated rats survived.
By our Medical Correspondent
SOURCE: British Medical Journal.

(Dec, 7. p. 569).

University news

International.

Appointment: CHRIST CHURCH! III W. H. Parker, iniversity lecture! In the seography of the Saviet Union, has been elected to an official studentiship. Newcastle

NewCasue
Appointments:

If F. J. McQuillin, reader in organic
chemistry, to a personel professorable
in organic chemistry. If G. A. Swen,
personel reader, to a personal professorship in organic chemistry: A. M.
Witton, LLB inewcastle, as tecturer in
law: Professor J. G. Wallon, dean of
medicine, as G. Milton any Visiting
Professor of Neurology of Penngylvania
University. York

Dr Ralpb Butterfield has been

appointed chairman of council on the resignation of Dr Coggan, and Mr Victor Clark vice-chairman. Other appointment:
R. Gordner. MA (Canlob). Is
director of a new trail of continu
adjustion for the construction indust Warwick Research graots : Research graots : Professor O. C. Biglionical sciences : Professor O. C. Bigli

of cellular hinding sites for polynucleo-tides during interferon induction. Pro-fessor R. Whilenbury and Dr. H. Dallon, from Science Research Council, £24,892 for research on a study of nichane oxidation, nitrogen fibation, and coaxidation in methylobacieria. Economics: Professor F. C. Pyatt, from Ministry of Overseas flowelopmoni. £15,271 for economic accounting and planning with particular Polynucs to em-E15,271 for economic accounting and planning with particular reference to employment end income distribution (developing countries).

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Engineering: Dr II. K. Bowen, from
SRC, E10.796 for research on dynamic
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mores to secure longmsututional funds for societies provided the ement of surprise in the Bill, published yester-

proposal is that execupt funds, which do not pay their investment incuose. with building societies daim basic rate tax as with conventional stock

change was welcomed the Building Association; but Mr Griggs. secretarythe association. out that it was unlikely wing fund monies would

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idelines transfer capital

rulk of the Finance Bill ed to the detailed proand administration of capital transfer tax. It , follows the guidelines ublished in August and

ugh the capital transfer been deemed operative e March Budget, estate nich it replaces will no apply for deaths uccur-ter the Floaoce Bill The present nal arrangements con-

ıtil then. ver, in respect of gifts refore March 26, the inter-vivos" rules will ed over to some extent.
w capital transfer rates g arrangements for gifts some rears befure death

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Pinance Bill confirms slief in future will be to full-time working only, subject to ao limit of land of 1,000 r worth £250,000, whichmore favourable. As a he value of such farmansferred either in life eath may be reduced to s its gross renzal value. ier major switch congifts between husbands es which will be totally

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ociety is to cease paying al or "equity" bonuses iolicy claims arising after of 1974. It is understood the first society to cease nt of such bonuses, others have reduced decision has been taken

e of the continuing fall ty share values oo The Exchange, Scottish Equitecalled vesterday that in t, when the FT Index had to 220, it announced that a per ceot terminal bonus ims arising from October ild he payable only for years that with-profits is bad been in force prior FT Index has nuw fallen

uod 160; and to reduce anking years in conseto those prior to 1954 in any case exclude most rofits policies, says Scot-quitable. minal bonuses are quite

ite from the periodic rsiooary" bonuses which ud on with profits policies cannot subsequently be rawo or reduced once ed. The former were bt in to compensate outpolicyholders for the relacaunous level of revery policies paid by many market levels were high. ile reversionary bonuses ormally paid out of the nd income companies c on their iovestments. nal bonuses are usually out of capital appreciation see iovestments. They have coerally been large in reto the total value of a

only 10.07 per cent—well below the gross rate which pension funds can now obtain from other forms of deposits.

Under existing arrangements for pension funds they invest in building succeptes and obtain the same rate of interest as the persunal iovestor, currently 7.5 per cent, tax paid. The societies pay tax at the composite ratu of 26.25 per cent, which is not

reclaimable by the investor. Building societies have been agitating to secure a mure advantageous treatment fur pension fonds since the proposal by the previous Conservative government for a fully funded state reserve pensiun scheme. The societies huped to pick up some of the estimated £500m that that pension fund would have been investing.

Bur, however attractive the idea of major institutional funds may appear to the societies, safeguards will have to be safeguards will have to be by the Revenue after the built into the system. It is Appointed Day (6 April, 1975) almost certain that the societies in order to be classed as a will be willing to accept pension qualifying policy. reprint to bodies.

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Without the security of know-

ing for how long the fuods would remain with them, the influx of pension fund "hut money" could create additional problems for the speicties rather than helping them.

Assurance policies: The finer clarification of qualifying assur-ance policies, that is those where the pulicyholder is entitled to tax relief of 16.5 per cent on the premiums payable, prumised in the spring Budget, is much in line with the changes then out-

Where an early surrender of a policy is taken, the Inland Revenue will be able to reclaim some of the tax relief. The "clawback" will be paid over by the life offices and deducted frum the pulicy proceeds. One significant variation from the March details is that all policies will have to be certified

Stock appreciation rule may aid speculators

By John Plender Financial Correspondent Proposals for tax relief against stock appreciation, one of the-key concessions to in-dustry and commerce in the follows the guidelines recent Budget, could lead to the original White mild political embarrassment ublished in August and for the Labour Government in

view of generous drafting in the Finance Bill, published yes-In its present furm the Bill defines trading stock so widely that the relief would be available for cumpanies which have heen carrying ou a purcly speculative trade in certain

A spokesman for the Inland Rerenue coofirmed yesterday that a stock of gold sovereigns

or Krugerraods could qualify for relief. Trade in Krugerraods, a gold coin minted by the South Afri dan Governoient, has expanded rapidly in the last two years. It is widely regarded as a blatant form of exchange control avoidance, but the Treasury has so far heen prepared to tolerate

The spokesman also confirmed that property dealing companies, at the least economically productive and most politically controversial end of the property industry, could be eligible for relief.

engine for react.

Since the Bill's provisions are retrospective and apply to accounting periods ended during the 12 months to March 31. 1974, it is possible that some property dealers would see a delayed benefit from the spec-tacular property boom long after it collapsed.

Ironically, the greatest benefit would go to the most suc-cessful dealers who sold most of their stock before the market plunge.

It would be surprising if further restrictions are not intro-duced at the committee stage so as to remove the advantage for speculators. But the draftsmen could well have difficulty in drawing the line between legitimate trade and

speculation. The distinction could prove particularly difficult in com-modities or hase metals, where many legitimate traders have been badly bit by the rising cost of replacing their stock. Housebullding, too, is potentially

confusing. Relief against stock appreciation would be a considerable benefit to companies whose land bank rose in value in the balance sheet as a result of the inflation in the price of building land. As the Bill stands, however, a company which speculated in land without undertaking building work would derive as much

benefit as the genuine builder. The Bill's definition of trad-ing stock is based on the meaning given in section 137 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, with certain specific exceptions.

These include securities, such as stocks and shares; stocks which would be treated as workin progress if the trade con-cerned were a profession; and

The following are the figures for eligible liabilities and taserve asset ratios of United Kingdom banks released by the Bank of England today. By Ronald Kershare 3.02 32.9 29.318 30.036 25.5 11.7 1.5 -7.1 -6.9 -14 12.6 17.6 9.9 5.0 8.1 13.8 13.8 13.8 13.6 13.6 13.4 13.4

Borrowing pressures may be less than feared

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BANK FIGURES

Al mid-month 1973

By Chrismoher Wilkins Corporate borrowing pres-sures are continoing to boild up, but with no real signs of the long expected liquidity squeeze yet becoming apparent.

Statistics released yesterday by the Loudon clearing banks covering the five weeks to Nov-ember 20 show a drop in ster-ling loans to United Kingdom residents of £118m to £14,878m, but the fall was less than would normally have been expected oo seasooal grounds, pointing to a continuation of the fuodamental upturn seen in October Heavy eogineering and ship-building were prominent bor-

rowing sectors. Some baokers are oow beginning to question the assumption they were making earlier abour the expected scale of short term lodustrial borrowing demaods in 1975. The real squeeze has been expected to arise in the New Year when companies have to

meet their tax bills.

But the severity with which economic recession is seen to be gathering momentum, com-bined with signs that investment programmes are being post-poned or dropped, is suggesting to some that borrowing pres-sures may nut be as heavy as

origically feated.

The clearing banks still retain substantial leeway within the confines of the "corset" consubstantial leeway within the confines of the "corset" control on the intake of interest bearing eligible liabilities to take in new deposits and hooce increase their lending.

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So far this year their IBELs bave expanded by only 9.1 per cent against a permitted ceiling of 15.5 per cent. During November the ceiling was raised by 11 per cent but the iocrease of the Loodon clearers was only

0.6 per cent.

The necessity tu raise interest bearing deposits bas to some extent been eased during the past two months by the con-siderable growth io current

Pay disputes threaten to close Tyne shipyards

Swan Hunter Shiphuilders, with about 50 ships un order worth nearly [400m, are drawing nearer the time when some of their Tyneside shipyards may have to close using to pay dis-putes. Nearly 4,000 men have heen taid off as a result at a walk out by 600 electricians, which leaves fewer than 6,000 men at work at the five yards. A company spokesman said last night "The longer the dispute gnes on the more danger there is of having to close

The electricians who, claim they are locked nut, walked off the joh when their claim for a basic rate of £50 a week was rejected by the management. The men seek parity with elec-tricians in the nationalized Court Builders Shipyard on the Weir, 12 miles areuv.

Swan Hunter rates are between £42 and £44 basic. In support of their claim, the men banned overtime which disorganized production.

They were asked to return in normal working to allow discussions to continue or be removed from the payroll. At this point the men stopped work, claiming a lock out.

The company has made an offer of a basic rate of £46 weekly, rising by fortoightly increases of 15p to £50 at the eod of oext year. This bas been

Other trades in the shipyards bave employed work restrictions and the fear of the company is that once a settlement is achieved with the electriciaos every other trade will immedi-

ately demand parity.

The Swan Huoter Group to which Swan Huoter Shipbuilders beloogs, last night published output figures for 1974 which showed that the group had launched 13 sbips of a gross tonnage totalling 372,583 tons. some 2,000 tons up on last year. Courtaulds factories: Trade union leaders are to meet Lord Kearton, the chairman of Courtaulds tomorrow to discuss the future of the firm's three factories in North Wales, where

employees are being laid off or are put on short time working."

Finance ministers and bankers to meet Brussels, Dec 10.—Finance ministers and central bank governors of West Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands.

Luxembourg and Denmark will

meet oo Sunday in Frankfurt the stock of a company carrying on a trade in partnership with an individual who has an interest in the partnership stock.

Financial Editor, page 21 residents in November.

Saccount deposits. These to discuss rbe future of the accounted for the bulk of the joint float of their currencies, the so-called snake, monetary officials reported today.—AP-Dow Jones. to discuss rbe future of the

Mr Wilson urged to convene talks on car industry crisis

By R. W. Shakespeare Mr Harold Wilsun is being

urged to conveoe a special cnnference of Government, employer and shop floor representatives to discuss the mounting crisis in Britain's motur industry and, in particular, the trouble at British Leyland.

Meanwhile, union representatives at the Chrysler car plants have expressed fears that the redundancies announced by the American-mened rompany may he the foregumer of a complete randown of its United Kingdom

uperations. The request for intervention hy Mr Wilson has come from Mi Maorice Edelman, Lahnur MP for Coventry, Nurth West, in the heart of the Midlands car pruduction centre. He has tabletl a Commons question calling on the Prime Minister personally in address the sperial conference, and he also admicates a "management

adrucates a "management shakeunt" at British Leyland. Luril Stokes, the British Ley-land chairman, yesterday issued a special appeal to workers for

"snme gire and take "in future negatiations to help the cum-pany out of its difficulties. In talks between British Ley-land management representatives and union officials at the giant Austin-Morris plant at Longbridge, Birmiogham, yesterday, details of snmc of the corporation's present finaocial problems were spelled

The shop floor men were told that this year the Longbridge plant alone will bave to spend an additional £60m in order to achieve the same output as a year ago. This included a year ago. This included a f13m increase in wages and salaries, a £40m increase in the materials, a £2m cost of raw materials, a £2m increase in charges for power

The management spukesinan made it clear that British Leyland could not recoup all of this increase through increased prices. Much of it must come from higher production and areater efficiency. At Chrysler representatives of

seven oninns whose members are likely to be affected by the curbacks among white collar workers that have just been announced have decounded top level discussions about the company's lnog-term policies and operations.

Chrysler has said that 700 workers, mainly staff emplayees, will lose their jobs by Fehrnary and that some 400 of these will he in the Midlands. In the statement yesterday, the union representatives claimed that the redundancies included a "deci-mation of the shop floor experimental workers at Chrysler Whitley plant in Cuventry, We do not accept the redundancy will solve the company's

problems."
The statement said that the the statement said that the unions understood that Chrysler's capital plans fur European operations in 1975 included £50m in France, £34m in Spain and only £9m in the United Kingdom. "It is our belief that these moves show a long term either that these moves show a long term either that these moves show a long term either that these moves show a long-term situation that extends beyond thuse currently threat-ened with the suck, and poses a threat to the job prospects of all employees. Public accounta-

hility of multinational corpora-tions is a demand which must be made by all workers," Last night a Chrysler manage-ment spokesman claimed that the union statement was "mis-leading and inaccurate" and an over-reaction to the company's redundancy plans, which were designed to keep the British

Recession, not inflation, is now top

US problem

From Frank Vogl

Washingtoo, Dec 10.—President
Furd's Administration is moving, ioto high gear with reflatiouary measures. Top Administration officials admit that they failed to anticipate the speed with to anticipate the speed with which the recession was deepen-

The Administration is accepting that there will be a large budget deficit for the current year that ends next June 30. Mr William Simon, Secretary of the Treasury, said in a television interview that the Presideot nuw accepted the need for a larger public works programore than the one he promosed last mooth.

Administration officials admit that the stress in policy planning is moving to treating recessioo. rather then inflation as "sub-lic enemy number one".

It must be noted, huwever, that the Administration still shows on signs of morning to . anything like the reflationary policies that Democrats in the Congress and many economists

are demanding. President Ford is determined to reduce the budget by some \$4,600m (£1,900in) and in get the Congress to raise taxes to finance any additional federal

spending. Mr Simon noted that the. Administration was working with the Congress to put into place a public service employment programore that deals with the economy and with the unemployment the way it exists today and not the way it was

forecast ". This statement indicates the abandonment of President Ford's plan for a large public works programme to come intubeing only after three consecutive manths of more than 6.5.

per cent unemployment. Mr Simon said the trigger system for this programme was being dropped and that the Administration was authorizing

\$2,000m for immed are use in public works programmes.

Democrats io Congress have introduced a bill that would involve spending immed ately some \$4,000m on public service.

Meanwhile, experts on Wall Street noted today that there was clear evidence that the Federal Reserve was increasingly concerned about the developing recession.

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smaller than usual, but soggested a transition in the focus e Fed policies from coocern with inflation to recession, remarked cut from 8 per cent to 71 per The Chase Manhaman Bank

today cut its prime lending rate to 104 per cent from 103 per cent and many other banks around the nation are now mnyng towards the 10 per cent level set a couple of weeks ago hy the First National City There are also indications

these two particularly depressed

Shares index drops to 16-year low Pressure on the pound, the

wage claim by the Scottish miners, and growing unease shead of tomorrow's disclosure of the monthly trade figures for the United Kiugdom all helped to depress the London stock market yesterday. Yields oo gilt-edged stocks

rose tu new peaks—a record 17.37 per cent in the case of War Loau. The sbare market fell to a fresh 16-year low poiot, with the FT index 4.4 off at 157.1, helow the 160 level for the first time cine 1958 the first time since 1958.

Oil shares had another difficult session with the fall in
sterliog triggering off selling by
nervous investors. But oils, together with other major stocks

gether with other major stocks. looked steadier in late dealiogs after Wall Street had opened firm. Motor and engineering issues jurned down to response to the fuel economy measures.
BLMC fell back to their previous all-time low point of 63p.

American survey favours return to gold standard

From Our US Economics Correspondent

Washington. Dec 10.—A public opinion survey shows that almost 90 per cent of Americaos believe that the United States should return to the gold stan-dard, while more rhan 25 per ceot said that they will buy gold bullion when the ban on private ownership is removed here on December 31.

A survey of 1,300 people, conducted by the International Mooeyline business newsletter showed that 87.8 per cent of those questioned believe that nations should return to a mooetary system based on gold. About half of those surveyed

who the newsletter claimed. were people in the middleincome range, said they already held gold stocks or gold coios,

held gold stocks or gold conos, while 27.4 per cent said they would buy hullion when it becomes legal.

Some 77.7 per cent of those surveyed did not believe the Treasury should sell gold from ufficial stocks without express approval from Congress approval from Congress

Miss Penny Brahms selling control of Land & General to property dealer the voteless shares as promised and Chanoel International Trust By Peter Wainwright

Miss Fenny Brahms, the former model now married to Mr "Dandy Kim" Caborn-Waterfield is now selling control of the property company Land & General Developments to Mr Peter Ronald Knapp-Fisher, a property dealer.
Miss Brabms, who inherited 75 per cent of the votes from her late husband, Mr Clive Raphael, through private concern. Napet Securines has already sold 271,000 of L & C voting shares (out of 542,000 io issue) to Mr Knapp-Fisher, But negonations for the transfer of coutrol and other matters have

coutrol and other matters have not been completed. The Take-Over Paoel is due to meet Miss Brahms late this afternooo to continue the meeting adjourned on November 21. She was then asked to explain why she bad oot enfranchised

Rises

by her late husband. Unless Miss Brahms can show that the latest deal means a radically new departure, the Panel may proceed against her with sanctions

Meanwhile, Mr Jim Rowland-Meanwhile, Mr Jim KowlandJones, the shareholder who is
leading the opposition to Miss
Brahms has served a notice on
L & G calling for a special sharebolders' meeting. He now bas
the 10 per cent of the votes
needed to request such a meeting, at which he will demand
boardroom changes and enfranchisement.

The dispute over L & G really began last month wheo Miss Brahms used her 75 per cent control to oust five non-Napet directors despite strenuus oppositioo from Mr Rowland directors Jones. Sioce then, there has been a £1m bid from Somerstoo Shipping, a Bermudian group,

inspectors were appointed by the Department of Trade to investigate L & G's affairs under the provisions of sections 164 and 172 of the Companies Act,

Since then Miss Brahms has been sued in the High Court for £46,000 by Williams & Glyn's Baok. It claims £38,868 as an overdraft on Miss Brahms's account, and another £7.524 under a guarantee alleged to have been given by her last May on a backing account of Napet

Securines. The Panel will undoubtedly be hoping that Mr Knapp-Fisber can solve its problems by proceeding to entraochise L & G's non-voing shares. At present Napet has 75 per cent of the voing shares and only 11 per ceot of the non voters.

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How the markets moved

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From Harry Debelius General Motors offer " undeniable advantages", while an alternative plan, by which a coosortium of Spanish car Madrid, Dec 10 Workers at use of the two plasts of Brinsb Leylaud's Spanisb subsidiary Authi today publicly appealed to Senor Carlos Arias Navarro, the Premier, to authorize General Motors to buy Authi. maoufacturers would buy out British Leyland's Snanish imer-

Authi workers favour

Leyland sale to GM

The workers' plea to Senor Arias followed ao urgent meeting here last Saturday between Mr John Barber, British Ley-land's managing director, and Senor Alfredo Santos Blanco, the Mioister of Industry. There was no official report

on what they talked about, hut it is believed that Mr Barber urged the Spanish minister to speed up a government decision about GM's £27.5m bid to buy Authi because of BLMC's urgent need for cash. The core published today was drawn up by legally elected representatives of the Authi

comployees at the company's offered to guarantee their jobs engine and apare parts plant in Saotander. It was distributed to Spanish news media.

The note said that the created in the second phase.

ests, "would not be satisfac-tory".

According to the workers' representatives, Authi's situation is "crincal" and could lead to lay-offs in the near future or even to the closing of British Leyland's factories in Referring tu munths of gov-

Motors proposal, the note said, "the critical situation . . . is fundamentally due in the administration's delay." They said they preferred General Motors to a consurtium which would include Fasa-Renault, Citroen and Seat-because Geoeral Motors had offered to guarantee their jobs

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Inflation at 17 pc next year: Mrs Williams

Frum Frank Vugl Washington, Dec 10

Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, forecast in Washington tuday that it was quite possible Britain would have an inflation rate of around 17 per cent through 1975.

She said at a press confere-"I do nut expect much inflation improventent in the year ahead. I think things will begin to fall towards the end of next year"

Mrs Williams, who is here to discuss inflation and energy matters with United States Con-gressmen and Administration ufficials, said she could not share the opinion that appeared to be held by seniur Adminis-tration officials that there would be a general upswing in economic activity by next summer. She expected such an upswing investment really to get under way in 1976

On energy the Minister said that there were a host of measures Britain could still take he-Government could increase speed restrictions and regulation of street and advertising light.

It could also switch more power stations to coal and raise huuse insulation standards. Mrs Williams expressed dis-appointment at the lack of action so far by the United .

States in reducing energy con-She said this feeling was widespread throughout the European Community and that the United group has recently commissioned States must show leadership

here. It had done less than anyone else. Mrs Williams said she was hopeful that there would be as part of the corporation's 10some easing in price rises for year development strategy, non-food commodities in But the Government is Britain, but she saw little relief reviewing the plant closure

for commodity prices. She felt the Americans were tio optimistic in expecting a is to be phased our weakening in commudity prices, ' Emphasizing that the

Mrs Williams repeated that have in be sume luss of jobs, she would resign from the Guvernment if a referendum one concerned was anxious that decided against British member | the sooner a decision was taken

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Building chief wants Government to guarantee 100 pc mortgages

By Malcolm Brown A leading builder said yester-day that the Government should guarantee 100 per cent mort- comes today commonly amount gages as an emergency measure to £80 a week, which is clearly to restore confidence among

house purchasers.

president of the House now on the market at prices in Builders Federation, said at its the region of £9,000. annual meeting that if some "Sales to people in this thing was not done suon to category could give a substanincrease pruduction to a reasonable volume the private house boyer would face a crisis next year and the year after in the form uf rapidly rising house

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Ebbw Vale

threatened'

By Peter Hill
Investment of nearly 59.5m in
new plant at the Ebbw Vale
works of the British Steel Curporation could be seriously

leupardized if the Government

lecided in retain from and steel-

making at the South Wales plant. Mr Gordon Sambrook, director of the timplate group

of the strip mills division, said

yesterday. He believed that if these

operations were kept guing it would effect plans for new

The corporation's timplate

ing plant at Ebbw Vale, and also

has plans for spending up to

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above the average regional

He continued: "Joint insufficient to support a 100 per cent mortgage on one of the Mr Dick Sinfield, untgoing many thousands of new houses

the control which the Govern- on an annual comparison. By ment could exercise would ensure the avoidance of a situatiun where too much money was chasing 100 few bouses."

Mr Sinfield's plea came as the private housing orders in the

than 50 per cent on a year ago. Private bousing was the single worsta affected sector

Expressed at constant seasonally adjusted prices, total new building orders for the third quarter of 1974 were 19 per cent up on the second quarter but 21 per cent down on the third quarter of 1973.

Private housing orders were down 2 per cent on the second tial fillup to the market, and quarter total and 51 per cent contrast, council bousing was relatively buoyant, being up 14 per cent on the second quarter this year and 11 per cent on the third quarter of 1973.

Government need not cost Department of the Environment Public works new orders were much, he said, it could be published figures showing that 37 per cent above the second limited to the first-time huyer private housing orders in the quarter but 14 per cent down on pruperries at a figure not third quarter were down more the comparable period last year.

Energy policy 'gives NCB chance to plan'

Such was the urgency of the duction. energy situation ibat the response of trade and industry to the Government's initiative in energy saving should go a do not intend to relax our good deal further than had been asked, Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Cual Board, said at York yesterday. A minimum of 10 per cent saving could be achieved simply by good housekeeping in factories and offices. Sir Derek said the Govern-ment's new energy pulicy decisions gave the Coal Board a chance to plan for the future

with more confidence than at pany time during the past 17 years. There had been two recent announcements both characterizing the trust the Government placed in the management of the cual industry.

He said the Government's most recent decisinn related to prices. The Chancellar had said iliat nationalized industry prices were more closely to reflect the

true unsubsidized costs of pro-"Naturally

"Naturally we welcome this", he continued. "All forms energy are much too valuable to be wasted. But we certainly efforts to produce coal as economically as possible.

"There will be no question

of our exploiting our present competitive edge over oil to the disadvantage of our customers
"We know that we may never have such a good opportunity again. Oil prices have risen mainly for political reasons. They could just as easily and

swiftly be reduced again.
The hoard's monive in aiming for cost effectiveness was not just the negative one or fear what a main competitor might do. Sir Derek said: We have the positive desire to help the country as much as possible in its present difficulties. Every extra million tons of coal we can produce can save the country about 522 millions on imported oil."

Australia may ban takeovers

New controls on foreign takeovers are being imposed by the Australian gnvernment. Mr Frank Crean.

Treasurer has announced that legislation bas been prepared to pruvide a veto on any foreign takeover of an Australian busi-

The legislation would be introduced to Parliament early in 1975 but, by administration, would apply immediately. It will enable the government to examine any purchase of 15 per cent or more by any single foreign group of any Australian

French first-half deficit £1,570m

Paris. Dec 10.-France's firsthalf 1974 current account balance of payments deficit was 17,260m francs (about £1,570m) compared with a revised deficit of 3,002m francs for all of 1973, the Finance Ministry said.

The figures show an overall slight surplus for France's external payments position in January-June period of 1.148m francs compared with 1,046m for all of 1973. The ministry added that the

current account deficit bad been largely financed by an inflow of 6,923m francs (out-flow 5,079m)

American car makers oppose new fuel laws

From Our US Economics Correspondent

Washington, Dec 10 President Ford will meet top executives of the United States car industry on Thursday to discuss inflation, recession and particular problems of the car industry, the White House an nounced today.

A probable key subject at the meeting will coocern pending legislation to force the carmakers to manufacture vehicles more economical in fuel and more environmentally accept-

Leaders of the industry told the Senate's commerce commit-tee today that the legislation was both unoecessary and possibly counter-productive.

Mr Alan Loofbourrow, a vicepresident for engineering at the Chrysler Corporation, said the company could introduce a "lean burn" engine next autumn if 1976 emission standards were frozen at 1975 levels.

He said this engine would improve fuel economy. It would run on any leaded or unleaded petrol and would not require a cataletic converter. Mr Loofbourrow stressed that

Chrysler hoped to introduce in its 1976 models an electronic spark-timing control which will make possible a new noncatalyst emission control sys-

The new system, he said, adjusted spark timing for numer-ous variables, including temperature, throule position and engine speed with the effect that the engine could burn a mixture of 18 to 20 parts of air to one of fuel, against present ratios of 15 to one.

Change in accounting practice

By Our Financial Staff

in its third exposure orait International Accounting Standards Committee requires the publication of a single set usually porous and capable of of consolidated accounts by a absorbing large amounts of company having subsidiaries, and prescribes the "line by line" method of consolidation.

method of consolidation. This conflicts with the current practice of some United Kingdom groups with widely diverse interests, who publish separate consolinations.

The exposure draft does, how, ever, also require that the name, nature of business and proportion of the voting power held should be disclosed in respect of each subsidiary and associated company whose total assets and total revenue, after the elimination of intercompany items, are material to the total assets and total revenue of the consolidated

Sobsidiaries are to be excluded from consolidation only if porary, or the subsidiary operates in a blocked currency or area: and in this case the reason is to be stated.

The provisions of this International Accounting Standard are to become operative for financial statements covering periods beginning on or after January 1, 1976.

Japan doubles iron and steel sales to Britain

Japanese iron and steel producers increased their sales to Britain to nearly 540m in the first nice months of this year. more than double the same period last year.

This huge surge from Japan forms only part of the import increase which has taken place this year against the background of the effects of the three-day week at a time of buoyant

demand.
The inability of the British Corporation to meet demand arising from shortages of coal and scrap, and the dis-ruptive effects of unofficial disputes within the BSC, have provided foreign suppliers with an opportunity to gaio a larger footbold in the United Kingdom

Board keeping heart in the Highlands

By Ronald Faux Signs that northern Scotland is not feeling the economic chill creeping across Britain were reflected in figures released yesterday by the Highlands and Jesteroay by the Highlands and Islands Development Board.

In the third quarter of this year the board offered £1,269,000 to help finance 116 tourism, fishing, agricultural, and light industry projects.

In the same period the Department of Industry selective assistance grants which

tive assistance grants which have priority in the special development areas around west central Scotland offered £1.6m on 37 projects.

The development board said:

These figures show a surpris ing level of activity in the Highlands when the region would normally be feeling the effects of the downward national nend." Sir Andrew Gilcbrist, chairman

of the board, added that little of the new activity had been a spin-off from North Sea oil development. Oil continued to create pressure on housing and a better paid counter-attraction for workers in traditional indus-

tries.
"Many firms in the Moray
Firth area have been struggling to avoid going under, but we are very reassured by the way they are managing to survive

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Engineers' concern at fixed Misleading... price public work contracts facts abou for the Government and yet is

Sir, I am writing to express the deep concern of civil engineering contractors involved in the

execution of public works con-

tracts on a fixed price basis. My company is one of many who are in the process of completing contracts obtained in the last quarter of 1972 and early 1973, under the fourth edition the Institution of Civil Engineers conditions of contract, which required the tender sum to be fixed price if the duration of the contract was under two years, and, indeed, the vast majority of public works schemes came into this

category. Since the end of 1972, the cost of basic construction materials bas escalated beyond all possible predictions, in par-ticular hydrocarbons, cement, timber and steel.

Problems arising from the massive increase in the cost of bydrocarbons have been acknowledged and arrangements now exist for contractors involved in road construction and similar projects to recover part of these excessive price increabut the broader field of civil engineering is not yet re-ceiving adequate consideration.

The iniquity which now exists defies description. Civil engineering contractors employed on works in the public sector are working for local authorities whose funding for the majority of these projects is wholly or in part from the central Government through the Department

of the Environment. Therefore, the situation exists where a contractor is being Ltd,
made to fulfil a fixed price East Prescot Road,
contract directly or indirectly Knotty Ash, Liverpool.

From Mr R. J. Norman

Sir. Some years ago I too suftaining some 25 per cent of water. On complaining to my coal merchant I received an answer such as to cause me to

change suppliers at once.
Smokeless fuels are expensive premium products and unlike ordinary house coal are Horol, Can Mr R. E. Perrin (Letters,

having to pay the current price for such basic materials as steel, which is manufactured by the British Steel Corporation, a state enterprise, and now costs nearly 100 per cent more than

two years ago. The Department of the Environment index of the cost of new construction shows that relevant :between the first quarter of 1973 and the first quarter of 1974 costs over the whole range of construction work bad risen

by 24! per cent. It is completely unjust that one party to a contract is made to fulfil all his contractual obligations entered into two years ago while the other party to the contract allows current prices to be charged for essential and fundamental materials. The answer by the Government is that an ex-grana pay-

ment may be made at the end

of the contract period partly to alleviate the difficulties, but the writer has yet to bear of any moneys actually being received by a contractor. In the meantime, a company like mine continues to honour its obligations and complete con-tracts to the value of some £4m obtained at the end of 1972,

losing at least £200,000 to date. Should inflation continue at the same rate the latter figure will substantially increase before the work is completed. Is the Government really interested in fair dealing?

Yours faithfully. BARRIE JAMES WHITE.

Director. Wellington (Civil Engineering)

Seeing your coal go up in steam

whether his organization recommends coal merchams to store fered from a delivery of smukeless fuels under cover, oranded smokeless fuel con and what proportion of merand what proportion of merchants do in fact take this pre-caution? His smoke screen, if this is a suitable metaphor, of "all practical precautions" and "all reasonable steps" is not quite good enough—E30 or more per ton is a lot to pay for water.
Yours faithfully,
R. J. NORMAN,

Ockham Drive, West Horsley. Dec 4) inform us consumers, Surrey.

pensions

From Mr A. Littler Sir, May I be allowed to a good deal of misleading mation contained in Mr B letter (Business News, De-3)? The following poir

1. Final pay pension sare not intended to relat fits directly to contrib The contract is for a contribution from employ employee in return for predetermined beuefits. 2. One of the objective final pay scheme is to pension relateri to servi pay at, or near to, reti higher-paid job earlier ir to a lower-paid job at t of career presumably adjusted his standard o to take account of the re in **pa**y.

3. In all good schemes 1 ployer pays into the amount that greater employee. It is true the is some redistribution employer's contribution some members will benef than others. There is unjust in that.

4. It would be virtually sible for an employee which, incidentally, we out of taxed income if I not in an approved scheme, the level of ret income and other beoefit a very large untaxed for

guarantee him. 5. There is certainly a spiracy of silence in a firm inor in many o know of regarding the tion of a final pay scheme. Personally i h. experienced any outery the "injustices" whi Brooks refers to nor detected any ciamour return to the old " parchase" arrangements Yours faithfully, A. LITTLER.

16 Poplar Aveoue. Eccleston. St. Helens. Merseyside.

Energy consumption and our life style some 16 per cent r

From Messrs P. T. Hinde and serve energy 20d give a worth-S. D. Probert

Sir, Without lowering our standard of living in the Uoit-ed Kingdom, it is possible to reduce oil imports by 15 to 20 per cent within a year, and (if we wished) become self-suffi-cient by 1980. A 20 per cent reduction in total United Kingoom energy consumption could probably be achieved within a decade, again without reducing our standard of living or quality of life in any but the most

But changes in life style would be required. Some of the more obvious measures which to be implemented to achieve these aims and reduce our balance of payments defi-cit are outlined below. They serve to extend the period we have available to achieve a sustainable energy economy energy, wind and wave power, nuclear fusion and or clean wind and wave power, nnclear fission.

All energy-consuming sys-tems and appliances should be designed and selected on the basis of running costs, coupled with long-life criteria, rather than on the basis of initial capital cost. Despite tacit government encouragement in the last Budget in the reverse direction, householders should

direction, householders should be encouraged to regard the installation of thermal insulation as of bigher priority than central heating.

Domestic energy consumption (mainly for beating) accounts for over 20 per cent of total United Kingdon energy consumption, insulation of hot water tanks and lofts, draught proofing of the structure proofing of the structure, cavity wall insulation and double glazing are, in order of effectiveness, some of the actions which will both con-

while return on capital, Modern building desigos have tended to be energy-intensive, utilizing unnecessarily

high levels of artificial lightiog, inadequate thermal insul-ation, unjustifiable air condi-tioning, electric bearing, and non-optimal orientation with respect to the sun. Space beating should be accomplished by the use of non-premium fuels (coal, combustible refuse) or low-grade beat as provided by

Continuation of British Sum-er Time through the winter could give significant energy savings in street and building lighting, as could res-trictions on the allowable levels of shop-window and our-door display lighting. The policy of lighting considerable lengths of motorway also seems inappropriate at a time when it is desirable to discourage road travel.

Coordination of coal, gas, oil, and electricity marketing is needed so that each fuel is utilized optimally, rather than being forced on consumers through unnecessary, competitive advertising. The adoption of "reverse tariffs" for domestic supplies of gas and electric ity (cost a unit increasing with coosumption after a base "ration" has been used up) could offer worthwhile savings of these premium fuels.

In the longer term, there is need for alteration to the charter, removing obligation to produce electricity at lowest cost, and requiring instead that optimal conversion of primary fuels into "useful distributed energy" be achieved; this would open the way to utilization of power station useful her. Road transport accounted for

energy consumption United Kingdom in 19 ing the imposition of a speed limit fuci coos was reduced by some cent, with the addition fit of a 14 per cent in accidents. Present ta ances for business use act as a disincentive to of the less energy-inteo mode of travel. Similarly, a flat-rate i

fails to discriminate. desirable oo energy ation grounds, engined cars. energy savings by trai passengers and goods energy intensive transport (car to bus o lorry to train or barge stantial. while the in environmental gaios she crease the public acces

of legislation to achiev objectives. Of broad legislative the most urgent need i companies and ind who spend capital in o reduce their energy or tion, wbetber it proved thermal waste hear utilization of efficient boiler plaot.

Insofar as implement such measures requires technologists. action to discourage the ing better opportunities United Kingdom: any drain of "energy eng to the United States ma necessary. Yours faithfully. P. T. HINDE. S. D. PROBERT,

Centre for Thermal Ins Studies, Cranfield Institute of logy, Cranfield,

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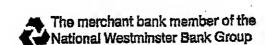
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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Finance Bill: added curb on dividends

Finance Bill does not n anything that calls for ical reassessment of the ical reassessment of the in Budget. Some specific have, however, emerged ick appreciation since the ellor's speech in Novemin particular, the Inlanding have confirmed that the will not be available set august Advance Corpor Tax. implication here is that

of the crude estimates of tial relief for individual inies that emerged on the fter the Budget could be iding. In addition, some mies that are now carry-rward tax losses because le relief against stock tiation have an added ive to cut or pass their ods. The obvious cases ne are companies with a as earnings contect ompanies whose earnings ed sharply at an early in the economic cycle. the rest, it is a question iat ameodments emerge the Bill becomes an Act. loose drafning which is to allow the property g or gold speculating ny to enjoy tax relief on ock will presumably be ned up. It would be unate, on the other band, a hard-pressed building postruction industry lost portant relief oo its stocks od simply because of rable speculative activity fringe of the industry bas now largely been ated by a chaoge in

act that discount ware-and electrical goods : Comet Radiovision
ed to limit its reported
sbortfall io the year to gust to 26.4 per cent took arket by surprise; the moved up by a brisk 3p
But there is little cause shration in a 52 per cent on in second balf profits in unquantified transfer reves to cover the new tee on sales—particularly figures also show a 9.3 m reduction in turnover second balf of a year in the number of warehouses icreased from 23 to 29. ner itself admits not only very slow sales during the Lonrho er but also to a serious e of overstocking which, magement claims, bas now corrected. The effect on ig capital requirements ntified, but the company tat the £1.73m sale of the ion rentals business to a Rentals in September partly morivated by ao to bring borrowings Television reotal business some £300,000 last year, question for the future ns the extent to which has been able to conserve sh for use elsewhere-for le in its decelerating exo programme-and the to which it is being ed to satisfy less patient

second question, of

st, particularly as the dom is depressing.

Earnings per share 3.4p (3.6p) is exiguous and there is

As far as United Kingdom Dividend gross 2.84p (2.5p)

a considerable chance of being locked into the shares. Sell. Final: 1973-74 (1972-73) Calitalization £1.99m Sales £48.6m (£43.3m) Pre-tax profits £1.47m (£1.99m) Earnings per share Sp (8.7p) Dividend gross 4p (4p)

Brewers

Support for the sector

Recent price relative strength of the brewers will be further underpinned by the results of Arthur Guinness and J. W. Cameron. Guinness has increased brewing profits at the trading level by £300,000 on static volume in the United Kingdom and daspite a six Kingdom and daspite a six week strike in Dublin. This will belp the defeosive qualities of the sector first suggested by Bass Charrington.

What did cause the damage to profits in addition to the virtually predictable increase in interest charges of £1½m to £4m was a £900,000 overall setback in the restated associate companies' profits. companies' profits. Here, rising costs and the inability to make suitable price adjustments left suitable price adjustments left the Nigerian business fim lower, while Cantrell & Cochina e odded fim lower in Eire, offset by a further improvement at Harp. At 60p, Guinness shares are selling at under 4.7 times historic and probably maintainable earnings, and yield 13.3 per cent. They should be beld.

Cameron and other regionals have been consistent performers both in terms of volume and profits. They can undersell the nationals partly due to lower promotional costs and reduced distribution overbeads. At 43p, the sbares bave no particular merits over other brewers of a. similar size where p/e ratios of around 5 and yields of 10.2 per cent point to the relative attractions of the nationals in the

longer term. Guinness Final 1973-74 (1972-73) Capitalization £50.4m -Sales £272m (£232m)
Pre-tax: profits £22.6m (£23.8m)
Earnings per share 12.9p (13.6p)
Dividend gross 7.99p (7.61p) Cameron Final 1973-74 (1972-73)* Capitalization £4.74m — Sules £18.9m (£16.0m) Pre-tax profits £20.3m (£1.99m) Earnings per share 8.4p (9.5p) Dividend gross 4.41p (3.93p)

Coasting home

Up by more than 80 per cent at the third quarter stage, Lourho finished the year with a S5 per cent gain at the pre-tax profits level of £45½m, perbaps a shade below the most optimistic are income. tic projections. Final quarter progress took the form of a relatively sedate 28 per ceot pre-tax gain from £14½m to £18½m. Within that, associates, surprisingly, showed a fall from £2.4m to £1m. But Lonrho's belief of Elling its full appeal babit of taking its full annoal curreocy adjustment into the final quarter appears to bave had a dampening impact.
As far as the African asso-

As far as the African associates are concerned, the drop masks an upward treed in trading experience. In 1973 the masks, at the best, were under cent. At the moment, as acond half results quite demonstrated, reverse g is much of the name of me.

3. the attractions of the 25 ent yield are somewhat st, particularly as the

Business Diary: Tap Rootes •

liquidity goes, the group is evidently fairly relaxed. While evidently fairly relaxed. While year-end borrowings show a jump from £54m to £63m, bank balances and cash have improved from £12.2m to £23m. Arguably, there is a fair portion of bope value in the shares, 81p yesterday after a strong showing in recent weeks, for a full diluted p/e ratio of 4 but that has never deterred a determined Lonrbo lover. Impending Department of Trade report notwithstanding, Lonrbo looks a speculative buy.

Final 1973-74 (1972-73) Capitalization £58m Soles £345.4m (£270.5m) Pre-tax profits £45.5m (£29.4m) Earnings per share 20p (15p)

Smith & Nephew

Overseas

benefits Smith & Nephew continues to keep pace with inflation, but the market expects as much, and the shares rested at 2210, the year's low, yesterday. The report for the 40 weeks to Octo-her S shows sales up 30.2 per cent, a further leap (£240,000 to £424,000) in profits from associated companies, chiefly Britisb Tissues, and pre-tax profits ahead by 17.2 per cent. In the first 24 weeks S. & N. boisted sales by oearly 30 per cent and pre-tax profits by 17
per cent. It is also the same
trading message as before with
the overseas side producing the
growth, margins being pressed
at home, and Gala Cosmetic a

weak spor thanks to the threeday week. On this form S. & N. look set for pre-tax profits of well over £11.5m this year against £10.2m, and earnings a share of around 4.2p. If so the p/e ratio is 5.4 and the yield, assuming a dividend raised by the most allowed, of 12.7 per cent, Unreviously in the control of 12.7 per cent, Unr markable ratings, but S. & N. bas obvious defensive strength given the overseas content. Interim: 1974 (1973)

Capitalization £33m Sales £81.4m (£62.5m) Pre-tax profits £8.5m (£7.3m)

Serck

Safety nets

Serck enjoyed an exceptionally strong third quarter, taking profits from deliveries delayed by the three-day week. This largely accounts for the slip in the profits growth rate from 49 to 36 per cent between the third and final quarters.

In any case if survival is t be the name of the game in the face of a recession. Serck at least has the merit of being tied to energy generation, a relatively non-recessive sector. North Sea oil and gas and electricity generation provide the biggest offtake for Serck's valves and beat exchangers, which in turn represent two thirds of Serck business.

Like any capital goods manufacturers with a relatively slow stock turnover, Serck has fast-rising debt on the back of high rising debt on the back of higher working capital. However, the group as apparently well within its borrowing limits and at least operating profits increased faster than interest charges in the final quarter. At 13p where the historic p/e ratio is 3; and the yield nearly 22 per cent, the shares could be underestimating Serck's chances of holding its own.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73) Capitalization £4m Sales £43.2m (£35.7m) Pre-tax profits £2.04m (£1.87m)

tection, of a revised Price Code will signal the beginning of a spate of price rise epplications, with the bakers among the first to attempt to justify new increases

Their application will inevitably be approved after the settlement of the bakery workers' pay claim. This will lead either to a rise in the cost of a lozf by as much as 11p, or, as is more likely, an increase in the government bread subsidy from its annual current race of £59m.

The bakery workers' pay

current rate of £59m.

The bakery workers' pay eward will be followed by riscs for other workers, including drivers, and the effect will be to squeeze the industry even harder. The past year has been among the worst in its history, with pressure coming from rising costs at the same time as a fall in demand.

The industry's predicament

The industry's predicement is illustrated by Spillers' £3m loss on its bakery interests in 1973 and the fact that only the Government's subsidies.

the Government's subsidies, administered through the Ministry of Agriculture on behalf of the prices ministry, stand between many smaller firms and bankruptty.

. How much of the pay rises as well as the proportion of raw material cost increases which will be allowable under which will be allowable under the revised Code will deter-mine how large the price in-creases or the subsidy increase

will be. The subsidies have already prevented rises of 21p,

bution to the overall bread market is very small.

The overall result is that,

The publication within the keeping the price of a standard coming week by Mrs Shirley loaf to 141p.
Williams, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Probas now placed the economics of the industry as much in the hands of the Government as the bakers, although the bakers are as much in favour

> The industry bas been anxious to make itself acceptable to the public, the Government and the sbarebolder, but bas found this almost impossible in present circumstances and the result has been that the bulk produces bread at u

of cheaper bread as aoyooe

The big three, Allied Bakers, Spillers-French, and RHM (Ranks Hovis McDougall), bave more than 70 per ceot of the market with their Sunblest, Wooderloaf and Mother's Pride brands. All three companies rely on profits from other activities to subsidize ordioary bread baking, although Allied is in a break-even position on

The rest of Britain's bread consumption is catered for by about 30 smaller plant bakers—the "independents" by some co-op societies in Scot-land and by the 6,000 master bakers. Some supermarket chains have incorporated in-store bakeries in their larger developments, but their contri-

with bread consumption drop-ping at the rate of 3 per cent a year, the industry has an over-capacity problem.

bakers have been giving fairly large discounts to the superindustry for some years has been in a position where it could not really afford to do

David Young discusses the economics of the loaf

Not by bread alone can

the bakers prosper

Supermarkets have found that they are in a position to demand from bakers daily delivery services, with the bakers being responsible for setting up and running bread counters, while obtaining a retail profit margin of up to 24 per cent as against the 12! per cent giren to small shops. The supermarkets have in many cases been able to reach an agreement with the baker to take back any unsold bread, although officially sale-or-return arrangements were stopped by the Government

So keen has industry been 10 get into this sector of the market that similar facilities have been made available to the voluntary supermarket companies chaios, with the result that settlement. bread has been available at small local supermarkets 2p cheaper than at neighbouring shops.
This is largely due to sav-

almost a year ago.

ings so the industry's high dis-tribution costs. The cost of a standard white unwrapped loaf can be broken down to 40 per cent oo distribution, 36 per cent on flour. 9 per cent on bakery labour, 6 per ceot oo overbeads, fuel and power, 4 ver-capacity problem. per cent on other ingredients,
There has been a fundamen- 3 per cent on wrapping and 2

The bakers problems, bave been aggravated however by the Government's price controls. The introduction of market groups, although the Phase Two in April last year colocided with an increase in the cost of hard American grain from £30 a ton to £110 a

> Advance buying shielded the Advance buying shielded the big three from the effects of this massive price rise, but not before flour prices had doubled and it became apparent that the pace of Price Commission procedures for price rise approval was not quick enough for the industry to recoup cost increases. increases.
> The productivity deduction

regulations—which govern bow much of a wage increase can be classed as an allowable cost—meant that unity a small proportion of increases in labour costs could be reflected in prices. This aspect of the Code is one which Mrs Wil-liams is expected to modify and it could be the key to profitability for many smaller companies after the new wage

There is no possibility of pro-fitability being increased by a sudden increase in bread con-sumption. This has dropped steadily since the war and figures show that as incomes increase the amount of bread easen drops

Average consumption now is running at 36 ounces a weeka loaf and a quarter—with the highest income groups eating only 26 ounces a week Bread is still rich in essennutricots; penny

eaten drops.

penny it contains more protein and iron, for example, than any other food. The industry can always put

forward such statistics to jus-tify claims that bread in Britain is still a bargain. Even before subsidies were introduced figures show that the average British worker has to work for 10 minutes to earn enough to buy a kilo of bread; a worker in Belgium bas to work for 11 minutes, in France for 22 mioutes, in Germany for 16 minutes, in Ireland for 16 minutes, in Italy for 19 minutes, in Holland for 12 minutes, and in Denmark for

14 minutes.
What the figures do not say what the figures on not say is how long the country's highest paid people work to earn enough to buy a loaf, athough those people are in effect receiving a subsidy of about 39p a year from the Government if they eat bread at the rate the figures support rate the figures suggest.

This is one of the arguments used by those who feel that the bread subsidies are doing little to protect the lower paid, but they are a way of

tn keep costs down and they too, should show restraint. Whichever way subsidies are regarded they are not what is needed to solve the industry's bong-term problems. In the short term they are vital to its existence, but what the bakers need is more profit and the industry feels way profits can be increased at present is for the retailer to accept a smaller profit.

showing the trade unions that the Government is attemption

Europe—no progress without political will agriculture declines

the United Kingdom should stay in the EEC bas tended to distract attention in this country from the related issue of just what kind of European union should be the target of those

who believe in this goal.

As Europe bas wallowed from one setback to another—the energy crisis and the world recession contributing to the problems which it already faced—the original federalist notions of a few years agn have given way to a commitment to "pragma-tism", which was much in evidence at the Paris summit this The problem is that nobody

seems entirely sure just what a pragmatic " European Community would actually do, apart from avolding the mistakes which bave been made by the The latest attempt to put for-

ward a programme for action bas just come from a group of leading European economists, Pierre Uri and Alexandre Lamfalussy, all of whom bave at various times written on aspects of the problem. They bave tried to set out in their book* a practical programme of action for the Community as 'it appears desirable to them as economists.

It has to be said that, on the strength of this work at least, economists look on the problems

of the Nine and the desirable solutions to those problems in very much the same way as most other people who take a favourable interest in the sub-

They are in favour of economic and monetary union, but against the idea of trying to achieve this by locking parities as outlined in the Werner Plan:

Wheo it comes to iodustry, authors' analysis. A growing other body control over the they favour a judicious mix of number of people would also economy of its own country. Community action, restrictions agree with their suggestions on A case can be made for believ. Community action, restrictions on national measures designed to give industries in one country en unfair advantage and compenition policy designed to prevent the private sector abusing its power io the market place

word for word the goals and targets which were set out just over two years ago at the last EEC summit meeting to be beld in Paris—at that time bailed as a success but whose achievements have become harder to pin down as time has gone by.

Any attempt to fiod a "consensus" on bow the Community
should move forward must be indeed on how well it explains what has gone wrong in the past and how the same mistakes

can be avoided in the future.

By these tests, the book is most successful in its chapter on economic and monetary union, a target which the Six their They 1980 in one of moments. recognize that the approach to which the Community has comries together progressively over the years in the bope that this will be accompanied by other measures to deal with the strains which this causes, is not

practicable.
The differing inflation rates in the Community countries and their differing vulnerability to outside events mean that, oo ernment can afford to give up the power over its economy which exchange rate fluctua-

nons provide. Nor are the authors optimistic that merely exhorting the as outlined in the Werner Plan; they do not like the high prices policies which the Community bas adopted for agriculture, but recognize the need to give relief to low income farmars through the use of subsidies; they want the Community to ensure that aid is channelled to its backward regions to avoid the risk of depopulation; and they are concerned to protect the environment.

antions of the Nine to coordinate their monetary policies will do the trick. Desirable though they consider this to be, it was because of the failure of this approach that the Six decided to itoroduce the Werner scheme at the beginning of this decade. The dissection of the errors of past policy in this field is done as well as it bas been done anywhere, and most observers would agree with the servers would agree with the

bow the programme for actieving economic and mooerary integration should be pursued in the future. The study calls for a greater

role for the Community budget, which would automatically transfer one of the key econdmic functions from national governments to the European level, the use of e new currency unit (they use the name Europa, as bave others who support this idea), which would exist side by side with national currencies, and the setting up of a special "Exchange Equalization Account". Of these proposals, the last is

the most povel. The idea is that the authorities responsible for managing this scheme would hold a portfolin of currencies which would be run to smooth out variations in parity caused by shifts of funds. The idea bas a oumber of

seem to cope with the central problem which all such schemes face, which is that no government is keen to band to some number of people engaged in £7.50.

ing that with enough political will even the Werner plan could have been made to work, while without that will on real progress is possible. This problem of political will

is right at the beart of the whole question of reforming the Com-mon Agricultural Policy, which has been the target of repeated criticism because of its high prices. protectionism and periodic surpluses. All these criocisms are no doubt justified, and the authors are right to say that the current short-term relief brought by bigb world prices is no substitute for a proper policy. But it is questionable whether

their proposals advance very much our views on what that policy should be. They "find themselves in agreement with" a study by the Atlantic Affairs Institute (written by one of the authors of the present book), which called nn the Community way of boosting the income of its poor farmers.

tially, iocome support through direct subsidies risks being hor-rifically expensive. When the number of farmers has declined, it is likely that the efficiency of those who remain will be much greater, and so the need for any income support policy at all will be less.

lodeed, the biggest single criticism of this book is that too often it seems to propose as solutions to a problem policies which would only be possible if the problem did not exist. Useful though the book is as a summary of much current

thinking on the economic problems of European unity, the real breakthrough, if it comes at all, will come as a result of a new political commitment to the idea. Whether that will happen, only time will tell. David Blake

*Economic Policy for the European Community Herbert Giersch, Alexandre Lamfalussy, Gieuseppe Petrilli

1973 Percentage

LONRHO

Year ended 30th September, 1974

The unaudited results of the Lonrho Group for the year ended 30th September, 1974 are:-

			increase
-	£m	£m	
TURNOVER (Note 1)	345.4	270.5	28%
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION			
Group	38.6	23.9	
Associates	6.9	5.5	
	45.5	29.4	55%
Taxation	(23.1)	(14.0)	
	22.4	15.4	
Minority interests	<u>(7.2</u>)	(4.2)	
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS before extraordinary items			
(Note 2)	15.2	11.2	35%
EARNINGS PER SHARE Undiluted (Note 3)	<u>21.2</u> p	<u>15.7</u> p	35%

2. Extraordinary itams it is anticipated that the net credit resulting from extraordinary items will not be material in relation to the attributable profit shown above.

The next dividend distribution will be considered at a board meeting to be held in February, 1975.

LONRHO LIMITED. Chespside House, London EC2V 6BL

1. Turnovar Tha amount included in respect of the Associated Companies' turnover is £26.8m (1973 £20.4m.).

3. Earnings per share The fully diluted earnings per share are 20.0p (1973 15.0p.),

10th December,1974.

Rootes, now president of istitute of the Motor In-after a working life in s to the motor vehicle, sing a lot of dust by a ien to ratioonlize more ed in the motor industry. idea is to regiment them hree bartalions under the tive banners of the v of Moior Maoufac-and Traders, the Motor

the idea is certainly not down well with at least ossible recruit—the Insti-of Road Transport

secretary Tony ier was once ao army who was not impressed one of the "rubbish" about tradition at the of rationalizing regiments 18 of their traditions. But of their traditions. But advantageous London to president. Early oppose the Rootes plan se the institute, which standards for professional fications and training, has ong tradition of non-involumental professional fications. nt with commerce.

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of investment to road

to put too fine a point Fletcher says, there is a cat in hell's chance of IRTE and its 8,000
Ders referring training professional standards



lash of inflation, to look for a big brother with cheaper shared services and offices on offer. Strong on the more stable commercial vehicles side, the IRTE has seen steady membership growth over the years and is sitting on an advantageous London office lease with about 20 years to

There was a time in the Netherlands when the Index referred to a list of books which Romao Catholics were not allowed to read. Now it is the key to the Dutch were earners. professional standards to the IMI.

fact, the IRTE has less tive than some smaller ties, wincing under the

this year, up to the end of . November, but because auto-matic compensation is built into almost every wage agree-ment it does not meao automatic panic. Indexed wages keep the Dutch content with minimal

improvements in their annual spending power, so long as that spanding power does not actually decrease. Not only earned wages are iodexed, the same scale applies to the legal minimum wage, which in turo means that social security pay-meots of all sorts and kinds keep page. Pensious are also indexed, with the exception of some older private pension Searching around for something else to index, the Dutch

government last year, in the chaos of the oil crisis, when no one was looking, voted through a oew law indexing alimony payments. Earlier this year all alimony payments fixed by court order before 1970 were raised by 54 per cent and next year they will be raised another 16 per cent. The Divorced Meo's Associa-

tion is also going to force a test case on whether the 16 per cent index should apply to the original alimony award or the award plus the 54 per cent. They quote situations where the index has led to members are the per contract the contract of the same than the same applying for social security benefits because under the new regulations their alimony is more than their income.

Gatwick-based independent air-line trimmed staff and routes in October, bas popped up again io aviation. again to aviation.

This time it is as director with special responsibilities for development with the small Norwich based air charter operator Peters Aviation. As

Living on an index

BCAL's managing director it was Guinane's job to cut the staff by 800. Having selected the unfortunate ones and informed them, Guinane then gave in bis own resignation. "I decided it was right to associate myself with them and sever my own connexions", he told Business Diary yesterday. Guinane's experience running the big "secood force" airline interests Peters, which has pre-

It's not only Cadillacs and property rompanies they spend it on. Frederick Restall Limited of Birmingham has just installed 300 comfortable seats in a new camel-racing stadium in Oman.

scheduled services.

break toto

Democratic British Tissues, which is balf owned by Finnish risse makers Oy Nokia AB and GA Serlachius Oy, is indulging in a little industrial democracy that might interest the Scandinavians.

is to encourage workers to "criticize management." This, on the evidence of the first issue may be upbill work. The only member of the tissue family that would come forward with a gripe is Normao Chinnock, shop steward at BT's

Bridgend plant. Chionock is quoted as describing a locker room as "cramped as a dungeon, hot as a jungle, and it smells like a drain." Management, in the sbape of personnel services manager Bryan Holford says first of all that the room's not as bad as Chionock says it is, but theo hints that even so, ir'll

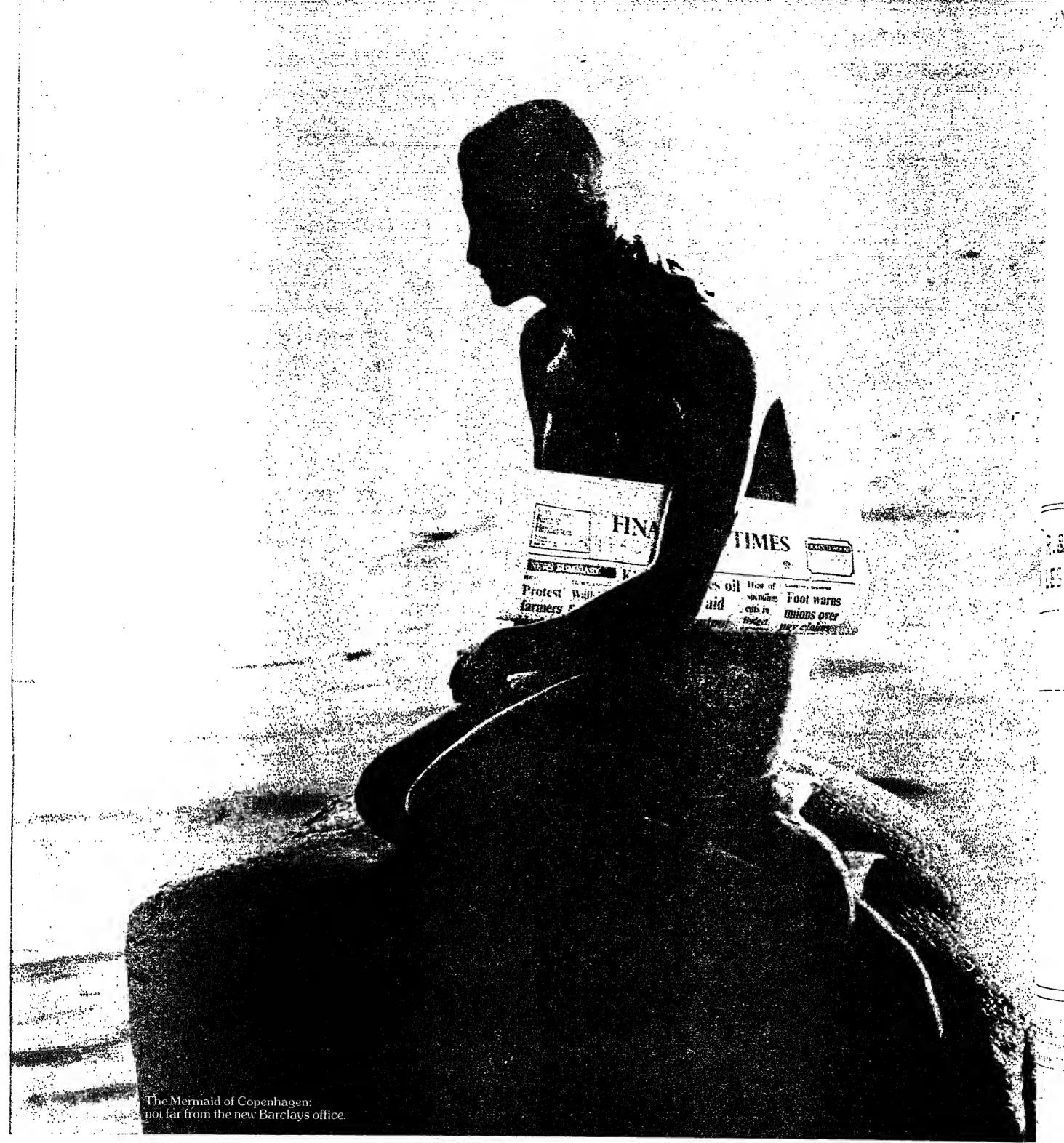
but theo hints that even so, it'll be put right. Holford, who recently joined the Bridgeod mill, is profiled elsewhere in the paper. He is there quoted as saying "Rela-tions between top and middle management at the mill are good, but not so good between

Jones the editor is not on

management and workers."

British Tissues's staff, but in Britain many house journals are edited no a freelance basis. Jones says that the idea was Vilson's, and that from telephone calls he's had since the first issue began circulating, be hopes the next will be stronger meat. Wilson, he adds, saw the proofs and made no changes And, unusually in a British bouse journal, there is not a single mention of the managing

Signs of the times, inflation Managing director Fred Wilsoo has given his blessing to a revamped bouse journal, 8T of British Tissues 1. Its policy, chairman Adam Thomson in Managing director Fred Wilsoo has given his blessing to a revamped bouse journal, 8T of British Tissues 1. Its policy, chairman Adam Thomson in Managing director Fred dept: Barclays Bank has introduced a £100 travellers' cheque and is to phase out the £2 one, leaving £S as the lowest sterling value.



If you want to know where to expand overseas, look where Barclays Bank International are opening new offices

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However, as inflationary costs hite, the gap hetween the two figures is narrowing and John Wbitney, managing director of Capital, has great hopes for attracting more adversing revenue on cost grounds next

The JICRAR figures abow that 10 per cent of all adults in the London area listen to Capital Radio. The BEC's Radio One has a third of their accounts to been settled by the end month following that.

ar the solution of cutting audience. Radio Two is next with 23.4 per cent followed by Radio Four with 20.3 per cent.

Ahead of the BBC's Local Redio London and their up-market Radio Three Station comes the commercial radio sta-tions, Capital Radio with 10.0 per cent and London Broad-casting with 5.4 per cent.

Mother's Pride move After weeks of speculation, the hraod leader in the troubled the hraod leader in the troubled sitead bread market, has finally announced its move to a new advertising agency. Ranks Hovis McDougali's Mother's Pride is heing handled as far as advertising is concerned with effect from this week by Leo Burnett. The account according to Medie Expenditure Analysis figures was worth about £200,000 last

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Adverse £3.1m swing in leasing finance holds back ICL

Leasing, pre-tax profits of Inter-national Computers (Holdings) Bec national Computers (Holdings) come out practically stationary for the 12 months to Septem ber 30 at £12.2m against £12.4m pre-tax. Turnover for the period, however, rose from £168.6m to £200.5m, On the hrighter side is news of a "most favourable" public reaction to the new 2900 series computers. The outcome, in line with market expectations, left the share price unchanged. left the share price unchanged.
The result, the board says, should be viewed against the year's hackground of an energy

Affected significantly by an crisis, a three-day working week, odverse swing of £3.1m in its a high rate of inflation and a arrangements with Computer significant degree of price con-

Because of the high cosr of money, the group was required to make payments of £1.9m to Computer Leasings compared with the receiving of dividends of £1.2m in the preceding year, which also had the benefit of an exceptional credit of £1.2m.
The outlook for the current

uodoubtedly helped by the com-pany's strong product line and healthy order book. Meanwhile, net losses of £481,000 against credits of £1.27m on fluctuations

in exchange rates have been taken direct to reserves. The launch of the 2980 and 2970 computer systems hrings to e climax some five years of effort. Orders for some £21m of the two new models hove The outlook for the current year, though cautious, is not particularly muted. Though a forecast in the present uncertain economic climate is too difficult to hazard, overall prospects are

Slide by British Cotton & Wool

The halftime results of British Cotton & Wool Dyers' Association reflect the extremely difficult trading conditions in
the private house building sector (in which the group has
timber interests) and in certain sections of the textile industry. In spite of a 7.7 per cent locrease in turnover, profits show a marked downturo because of lower margins and almost doubled interest charges. These factors have served to drive down taxable profits by 82 per cent from £316,000 to £58,000, their lowest level since 1968. Turnover in the period was £4.8m against £4.5m, and the interest

against 14.5m, and the interest charges £65,000 against £33,000.

The board say there has 1975 are estimated at considerbeen rapid cost inflation in ably over 2,000m francs, includant material costs and weges which it is not possible to pass on to the consumer and profits hove been further affected by the bigh cost of horrowing which has caused interest costs

Banking slump at Sheerwood

Buoyed by its industrial sec-tor, which after a poor start because of the three-day week is now trading at record levels, Central & Sheerwood Trust nevertheless experienced a decline in profits from £1.3m to £936,000 pre-tax in the six months to June 30.

The profit is struck after finance and administration charges down from £802,000 to £44,000, the difference being that the Izal business, now sold, accounted for £736,000 of the 1973 figure. It also contributed £571,000 to profits.

At the trading level profits

At the trading level profits were £4,000 (£614,000) from investment banking, £27,000 (£129,000) from financial services and £949,000 (£1.36m) from industrial activities, but excluding a Dutch subsidiary loss. Some second-half improveloss. Some second-half improveis expected on the financial side.

Earnings were 1.25p (1.59p) a sbare while the dividend is 1.23p (1.05p).

Uplift at Fairey

WARE CARNEGIE

G A ROBINSON

Overseas contracts io hand or under active negonation by Fairey Co, the general nuclear and hydraulic engineers, exceed the group's total turnover for 1973-74 of £29m, and include a substantial proportion from

Briefly

Food group, launched in October, 1973, says turnover running at annual rate of over £20m, compared with £13m wheo launched.

to anite of curbs and costs trading

profit above £500,000 reached at

Group has sold George Walker (Birmingham) for £210,000 casb.

STOCKLAKE HOLDINGS
All indications are present year should be much more profitable than last, Mr C. Hill Wood, chairman, writes in review.

HUNTER DOUGLAS NV
In first nine months sales up
from 563m florins to 665m florins
(£105.5m). Profit oot disclosed,
but second balf and full profit not
expected to match 1973.

Toterim taxable profit £227,000 (£170,000) incloding lovestment income £1,800 (£1,400) but exclud-

Middle East countries. The financial position remains strong and further growth is expected to be funded from within. The interim dividend is being raised from 13p to 149p less than the record achieved in and the board say they expect a bigher profit for the full year than last year"s £2.6m pre-tax.

Losses at Citroën slackening

Citroen SA expects its 1975 net losses to be slightly reduced from this year's (expected) loss of around 850m francs (£77.6m) (net profit 232m francs for 1973), informed industry sources

ing the net losses, new industrial investment financial rial investment, financial-charges, reimbursement of loans and other items. The company is already assured of a 1,000m franc long-term loan from the government, plus nearly 480m francs from the government, plus nearly 480m francs from the sale of ics 98.6 per cent subsidiary, Automobiles M Berdiet SA.

The rest will be ppt up hy Michelin, majority shereholder in Citroën.

Bambergers fear full-time drop

Reflectiog, as with others reporting recently, the changed short-term outlook for the timber trade, Bambergers slipped back at balfway, coupled with a warning that the second-balf ontcome is unlikely to equal the first.

On sales down from £17.44m to £16.88m, pre-tax profits dropped from £1.17m to £932,000, and the "attributable" from £553,000 to £501,000 (including extraordinary items of £48,000 (£13,0000)) for the six more to September 20. The months to September 30. The balf-time payment is raised from 0.87p to 0.99p.

Chapman (Balbam) Co (Balham), envelope makers, spurted from £302,000 to £517,000 pre-tax in the half to September 30. Sales were up from £1.98m to £2.76m and the

NEWMAN INDS-LINDOP

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Although trading conditions

dividend is increased to 2.06p

the second half of last year, when the steel industry was booming.
The dividend is increased

from 2.85p to 3p gross and there is a scrip opion. Eornings a shere rose from 6.4p to 9.1p. E. Allen reacts to

Sanderson bid for Balfour

News of an apparently straightforward agreed merger between high-grade special steel makers Sanderson kayser and Balfour Darwins was trans-formed last night by the inter-vention of Edgar Allen, the steel end engineering major.
Allen intends to apply for

consents which would be neces-sary under the Treaty of Paris if it were to make an offer to acquire tha issued share capital of Balfour Darwins or Sanderson Kayser.
Alleo reveal that negotiations

between itself and Balofur on the terms for a merger bave recently been discontinued. Sanderson had earlier announced agreed takeover terms valuing Balfour at £1.3m. Their offer six shares plus 25p in cash for every 5 Balfour, equalling 32.6p per Balfour, share. It would involve 4.92m new Senderson shares and cash of £205,000.

Balfour would end up with 45 per cent of the enlarged Sander-son. The bld is conditional on oot being referred to the Monopolies Commission and on all approvals from the EEC

Curbs and costs eat into Safeway margins

Profit curbs and unpreceden hapman (Balham) ted increases in operating costs
Maintaining the impetus of hit Safeway Food Stores Ltd in the previous term's record its last term to September 28, 1736,000 profits of Chapman & Sales of this United Kingdom subsidiary of the American giant, which has 77 supermarkets throughout Eogland and Scotland, rose by 43.5 per cent to £92.9m, but profits were slightly down et just over £2m pre-tax. The sales are a continuation of the trend over the previous six years, but this is the first profit reverse in that

GM Firth (Metals)

have been harder in the half period.

ing exceptional items. Dividend 0.93p (0.75p).

Newman has received accept-ances from 2.63 million Lindop shares, this being 94 per cent of shares subject to offer, which stays

Proposed merger between Shipton Automation and Bankers Trust International, and Hongkong & Shanghai Banking's 40 per cent stake in Antony Gibbs not to be referred to Monopolics Commission

For year to September 30 oci profit after tax of \$26.9m (\$25.3m) from sales of \$511.9m (\$433.9m). Total dividend beld at 12 cents.

Net earnings for year to October

31 were \$154m, against \$164.9m. Company said earnings reduced by "last-in, first-out" accounting for

NOTTS PATENT BRICK From turnover of £660,000 (£525,000) pre-tax profit last term £149,000 (£222,000). Earninga 10.9p

JAMAICA PUBLIC SERVICE In six mooths to June 30 oel loss JS1.62m (\$41,000 loss) after interest \$4.55m (\$2.5m). Dividend is passed (\$3 for whole of last Consolidated profits last time 6691,000 (E306,000) pre-tax from turnover of £2.97m (£1.69m). Earnings 5.36p (5.32p) a share.

(20.1p) a share.

SEARS-GALLIFORD EST Merger between two groups no to be referred to Monopolies Com-

ALEXANDER RUSSELL Interim pre-tax down from £278,000 to £219,000 but dividend up from 1.01p to 1.34p.

CLYDE PETROLEUM In first year of operationa pre-tax profit £436,000 and profit attributable £85,000.

MEARS BROS Talks with Bos Kalls Westmin-ster Group, Netherlands, which might lead to an offer for company are continuing.

FREDERICK W. EVANS

Turnover up from £734,000 to £1.05m for half year, and pre-tax profit is £242,000 (£135,000). Divideod 0.9p (0.75p) gross.

Business appointments

New chairman named for AIP

Mr Jessel Harrison, brother of the late Mr Gabriel Harrisoo, succeeds him as chairman of Amaiganated investment and Property.
Mr Peter Sarrows has been

appointed partner in charge of the insolvency department of Price Waterhouse after the death of Mr Monty Eckmao. Mr Mark Homan ing admitted as a partner on January 1.

Mr J. M. Brown has resigned

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mannging director of Rothmans Mr John Cuckney, senior Crown and chairman of the board of Crown Agents has been appointed deputy chairman of Stanley Gibbons International. Lord Caldecote joins the main board of Lloyds Bank.

Lord Chelwood has become deputy chairman of J. Compton, Sons and Wchb (Holdings).

Mr C. T. Bluot, Mr M. E. L. Melluish and Mr T. S. Rowan become managing directors of Stoger & Friedlander. Local direc-tors appointed are Mr D. C. Courtman, Mr P. E. Davenport, Mr P. G. Hock, Mr J. A. Lyttleton and Mr M. P. Sutton. Mr W. R. Eyrea joins the board of Midland-Caledonian Investment

Williem Starkey has been appointed a senior vice president of Litton Industries' Sweda Inter-national division with responsibility for internadonal sales. Mr Cecil Myers becomes managing director of Littoo Business Systems and bead of Sweda International's

dons. Mr Srian Walters has been appointed depoty managing direc-tor of Litton Business Systems. Mr G. M. Hughes becomes chairman of Trust and Agency Co of Australia in succession to Mr G. L. G. Touche.

Mr R. A. Brooke bas resigned bis directorship of Universal Underwear and Mr D. J. Framp-ton has heen appointed to the board. Mr L. I. Thomas bas resigned

from the board of Fluidrive Engi-Mr David Gurwicz has beenmade chairman of Sevcon. Mr Bryan Mooney replaces Mr Gurwicz as managing director.

Mrs Richard Bowman has joined the board of directors of Weisweiller Adlos. Mr A. L. Hancock, denuty chairman of the Walker Crosweller Group, has retired. Mr.L. L. Jones becomes director

and secretary, and Mr R. L. S. Berkeley financial director of Persdin Bonded Polymers of Bath. Mr G. P. Chandler has been made financial director of Herrfordshire Polymer Products of Lenchworth-Both companies are part of the Allied Polymer Group's iodustrial products division.

Mr Joseph Edens has heed elected chairman of Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corporation. Mr Charles McCarty, former execudve vice-president succeeds Mr Edens as president. Mr B. Vinceni Kelly bas been appointed chairman and managing

director of Orion Mulinational Services. He succeeds Mr Philip Wilkinson director

ber of the board of managing directors of the Hamburgische Landesbauk Girozenirale in Hamburg, has joined the Loodoo Interstate Bank, the board o Mr Peter Holland has been appuinted to the board of Atcas

Mr N. K. Gooden becomes man uging director of Van Moppes. Impregnated Diamond Products Mr 5. T. King has been appointed assistant maoagine director.
Mr Juhn Grandidge jotos the main group hoard of Negretti and Zambra.

Viscount Tarrington has been appointed a director of Attock Oil Mr George Doughty becomes chairman of the Economic Devel-

opment Commillee for the Electri-cal Rodineering Industry. Mr R. Jackman has been appolo-ed deputy managing director and rechaical director of Fielding &

The following appointments bave

been made in the cylinder com-ponent division of Associated Engineering: Mr i. L. Hepworth, staff director, production tech-nology and olanoing, remainine chairman of Henworth and Grancharman of Hemorian and Graindage; Mr D. J. Alldav, director of finance; Mr J. 8. Hesketh, director of licensing and iolnt ventures; Mr K. C. Bairstow, staff director, manofocturing services. responsible to the director of production technology and planning.

Profits and Dividend 52 weeks ended 28th September, 1974

	19	374	1973*		
SALES Holding and subsidiary companies	2000	£000 271,784	0002	£000 232,055	
PROFITS				-	
Holding and subsidiary companies					
Trading protit balora dapreciation		30,012		28.201	
deduct : depreciation		6,890		6,113	
Trading profit (see Notes 1 and 2)		23,122		22,088	
Brewing	19,888		19,570		
Contactionary	373		472		
General Trading	1.085		740		
Plastics	1.662		1.130		
Property	114		176		
	23,122		22,088		
Income from investments (saa Note 3)		414		340	
Interest on loan to associated company		283		240	
		23,819		22,668	
aank and loan interest		4,007		2.549	
Profit before taxation		19,812		20,118	
Associated companies :				2 200	
Share of profits before taxalion [see Nola 4]		2,823		3.702	
Holding, subsidiary and associated companies					
Prolit before taxation		22,63 5		23,821	
Taxation					
Holding end subsidiary companies			0.400		
(see Note 5)	9,525		9,480		
Associated companies—share of taxation (sea Note 4)	1,193	10.718	1.851	11,131	
		11,917		12.690	
Profit atter laxation				1.239	
Lass: minority interests		1,058		1,20	
Alinbulable to ordinary stockholders of holding				44.45	
company before extraordinary items		10.858		1 t . 45	
Extraordinary items after taxation				0 0 104	
(sae Noie 6)		606		Gr 2,190	
Attribulable to ordinery stockholders of holding					
company aftar axiraordinary items		10.252		13,641	
	40 050-		1t.451m		
EADNINGS DED OF STOCK DANK	10.858m	=12.9p		== 13.6p	
EARNINGS PER 25p STOCK UNIT		- 12.3b		10.0p	
	84m		84m		
ACCOCCOLATIONS					

The Directors propose a tinal dividend of 3.581p par 25p ordinary slock unit in respect of which stockholders resident in the U.K. and the Republic of Ireland will be entitled to cleim from the U.K. Revenue en imputed tax cradil of 1.749p per 25p ordinary stock unit. This is equivalent to a gross final dividend of 5.30p (5.30p) per 25p ordinary stock unit making total gross equivalent dividends for the year 7.990448p (7.61p). Oetails of ordinary dividends and retained profits are as follows:—

	1974 £000	1973 ° £ 000
Interim Olvidands Finel Dividand	1,514 2,983	1,411 3,117
Retained Profil	4,497 5,755	4.528 9,113
	10.252	13,641

The Directors propose to give stockholders the opportunity of choosing between raceiving this final dividend in cash or taking stock units in lieu. An Extraordinary Genaval Mealing hes been convened to take piece at 2.45 p.m. on Thursdey, 8th Fahruery, 1975. at which Resolutions will be submitted to implement the scrip dividend proposal.

Treding profit is efter charging profit sharing scheme £1,236,000 (£1.252,000). The treding profit efter depreciation of the holding and subsidiary compenies ettributable to sales in the merkets indicated is energyed in the following tebla:—

	19	74	1	973
Home Overseas	2m 18.5 4.6	% 80 20	£m 18.4 3.7	83 17
	23.1	100	22.1	100

Frenked Investment income includes impuled U.K. tax cradil.

The attributable proportion of profits is included in raspect of the following associated companies: Harp Lager Ltd., Gentrell & Cochrene Group Ltd., Guinness (Nigarla) Ltd., Siarra Laone Brewery Ltd., Savage Smyth & Co. Ltd., Taunton Cider Co. Ltd., and associated companies of Morison Son & Jones International Ltd.

(e) Overseas taxation amounts to £1,629,000 (£1,073,000°).

(h) U.K. Corporation Tax has been provided at the rate of 52%.

Extraordinary	Itams include	cherges and	credits	(Gr)	etter		relation	-
						1974 £000		1973° Σ000
Modernisation	ot Oublin brev	very				635		717
	operties end in ahareholding			i-		Gr 29	Cr	122
compenies	anarenoiding	. Subsidiary	and a	Saocia	uau		Gr	2,785
								~
•						608	Gr	2,190

Ouring the year protessional values were instructed to undertake a revaluation of the freehold and leasehold properties not revalued in 1873. This has resulted in a surplua of £8.6m of which £6.5m is attributable to the holding and subsidiary

Figurea re-staled principally in raspact ot Guinnaas (Nigeria) Ltd., in a form to make them directly comparable with those for 1974.

We have once again exceeded our previous records for the sales of stout, ale, lager and other products in world markets and turnover has increased by 17%. However, the effect of inflation and price control has resulted in a decline in Company profits.

Sales of all our products in the Republic of Ireland have been at record levals again. In Northern Ireland sales ware satisfactory in spite of tha many difficulties and disruptions. Due to distribution problems and the bottle shortage, sales of Guinness in Great Britain fell slightly short of the previous year

Overseas sales in both Guinness and Lager continue to increasa in a very satisfactory way. Guinness is now brewed in 19 countries and sold in more

In the home markets Harp Lager has continued its growth and has been succassful in maintaining its brand leadership.

A year of excellent growth making a substantial contribution to the Group orofits.

The drastic increases in the cost of raw materials have affected profits. GENERAL TRADING

A significant increase in trading profit over previous years. **FUTURE PROSPECTS**

The problems of instability in the economic field will have an undoubted effect on the Group's performance this year. This is particularly applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland, where a slow-down in expansion and investment plans is inevitable.

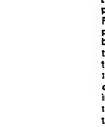
Guinness is an increasingly broadly based group, both in its geographical spread and in its carefully chosen variety of products, which together put . the Group in a good position to weather the present economic and political

IVEAGH, CHAIRMAN.

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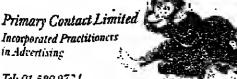


privilege of incorporation by Royal Chaner, to engega in polamics on a party political basis, or to agek to raprasen their members as if thay wera industrial sociaty - inflation the professional men, whose ethic is based on service to the

lika tha Institute, particularly those who like us anjoy the concerning the curse of modern thate is a distinct possibility that

trade unions. Howaver, it seems to me that in the public debate community, will be ignored. It is

The Report and Accounts were increasingly necessary. The Institute of Chartered Sacretanes and Administrators, 18 Park Crescant, London, W1N 4AH, Tal: 0f-580 4741



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Stock markets

Equities and gilts turn still lower

sented the sinck market response to yesterday's plunge in the pound un the foreign exchange centres. Reports that leaders of the Scottish and Yorkshire miners will demand a £10 wage rise for their members added fuel to City fears that infletion is running wild. And above all other factors was the widespread nervousness regarding the size of the United Kingdom trade deficit for last month, due for disclosure iomorrow. Some sources were hinting at a deficit of around

Giles had another poor day and all sections of the market tesung all-time "lows". Sentiment was clouded by the weakness of sterling and the continuing rise in local authority interest rates. The coupon rate on the "yearling" issue was 141 pcr cent. Dealers said that, with the rate through the 14 per cent harrier again. non-professionel interest

may increase. Sharp falls in "shorts" ranged up to point in some ranged up to a point in some of the low-coupon stocks. Treasury 102 per cent 1976 fell back by 2 point, while Exchequer 62 per cent 1976 and Treasury 62 per cent 1976 were

5.16 point down.
"Longs" drifted down throughout the day and closed et the bottom. Losses were snmeumes as much as ! point, although "mcdiums" and undered stocks were generally unly ! point lower. Most slocks are now at or near all-time lows. The yield on War Loan 3! per cent is at a record 17.37 per

In the equity market, share prices fell away in nervous trading. Oil shares were battered again. The City was worried both by the implications for the oil industry of falling pound, and also by press reports that United States institutions are worried by the delays on North Sea oil development

TRANSVAAL CONSOLIDATED LAND AND EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED



PAYMENT OF COUPON NO. 11

PAYMENT (IF COUPON NO. "I

With reference to the company profit announcement and dividend obstee advertised in the press on 141 November, 1974, the following information is published for the guidance of the published for the guidance with folders of share warrants in bearer. The dividend was declated in South African entrency and in accordance with the conditions of payment of this dividend, payment from the offices of the Secretaries of the company in the United Kingdom will be made in United Kingdom cutrency at the telegraphic transfer rate of exchange between Jedunnesburg and London that was ruling on 2nd Occumber. 1975, in U.K. cutrency at the London bearer reception office.

coupon No. 71 im affect an James sty. 1975, in U.K. currency at the London bearer reception office. Charter Consolidated Limited, 7 Rolls and dings. Ferter Lane, London E. 4A IHX, or in French curvincy at Credit Lyonais, 19 Boulevard des Haliens, 75102 Paris.

Coupons must be left for at least four clear days for examination and may be presented any weekday (Naturdays excepted) between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Republic of South Africa nunresident shareholders fax will be deducted at the rate of 15 per cent. United Kingdom Income tax will also be deducted from coupons presented for payment at the London bearer reception office unless coupons are accompanies by Inland presented in payment at the London bearer reception office unless coupons are accompanied by Inland Revenue declarations. Where such deductions are made the nel amount of the dividend is as follows:—

> Cents 21.78778

> 29.75 18.51962

Secretaries of the company in the United Kingdom: Charter Consolidated Limited, 40, Halborn Visduct, London ECIP LAJ. 9th December, 1974.

The Company has been asked by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to state:—

Under the double taxation agree-ment between the United Kingdom and the Republic of South Africa, the South Africa onon-resident share-holders' tax applicable to the dividend notices an appreciate the divident is allowable as a credit against the United Kingdom tas payable in respect of the dividend. The deduction of tax at the reduced rate of 18% instead of at the basic rate of 18% represents as allowance of credit 33% represents as at the rate of 15%.

RAND SELECTION

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

Further to the dividend notice advertised in the press on the 3th November, 1974 the conversion rate applicable to payments in United Kingdom currency in respect of the above-mentioned dividend is £1 = R1.607785 equivalent to 24.87894p per charge.

The effective rate of South African Non-Resident Shareholders' Tax is Non-Resident Sn: 14.7495 per cent.

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Loudon Office: 40, Holborn Vizduci, CCIP IAJ. Office of the United Kingdom Transfer Secretaries: Chartes Consolidated Limited, P.O. Rox 102. Charter House, Park Streel. Ashford, Kent. TN24 8EQ.

10th December, 1974.

London was closing down for the day. BP ended a net 7p off at 201p, Burmah öp off at 100p and Shell only 3p down at 130p.

ICI (118p), Beecham (112p), and Courtaulds (51p) all sbaded lower. Motor trade shares were unset by the Government fuel 6;p. and GKN dropped through the £1 oar value level to close 3p off at 97p. Turner & Newall, unseriled by the political developments in Southern Africa, where the group has major interests, dipped to 64p. One of the few firm spots was Staveley Industries, 3p up at 43p after the results. International Computer Holdings held steady at 32, following their trading state-

A feature among the stares was House of Fraser, whose shares advanced strongly on rumours that Carter Hawley Hale, the United States stakeholder, might increase its hold- 315p.

Issues & Loans

Council coupon

The coupon on Incal authority yearling bonds has again jumped

sharply this week. Against 133

per cent a week ago, they are now up to 14% per cent with ao

Authorities making issues in-cluded: Corby, Gateshead, Lincoln, Arfon, Wakefield, Llanelli, Knowsley, Amher Valley, Brad-ford, Mole Valley, Newham, Lancashire, Cambridge, Cannock

Chase, Hove, Inverness, Inverness-shire Water Board, Newhury, St Albans, Tamworth, York, Fife. Rushmoor, Torbay,

Castle Morpeth, Eastleigh, Chester, Hereford and Worces-ter, Woking, Avon, South Staf-

Credit Lyonais has confirmed

it is forming a syndicate for a S50m, 5!-year loan to the Comecon Bank of Eastern Europe.

The interest charge of the loan will be 1, per cent above inter-bank Eurodollar rates.

N'thern Developments'

Accounts of Northern Devel-

opments, the estate developers,

have been qualified by the audi-

tors. They are unable to express

any opinion on provisions of £4.6m to reduce the hook value

of some work-io-progress, and provisions of £8.7m to reduce

the hook value of land to the

directors' estimete of net realiz-

able value, in view of the un-

certain economic cooditions in

the residential property market. Because of the reservationa they were unable to satisfy them-

selves that part of the accounts

gave a true and fair view of the

state of affairs of the company

State part in

Hawthorn's

R. & W. Hawthorn Leslie, the

Tyneside enginearing and ahip-building group, still does not know what the Government's

oationalization plans will mean

to it, Sir Horace Law, chairman

told shareholders at the annual

slow-moving diesel engine indus-

try" is what Mr Wedgwood

Benn seemed to require, be said. But the manufacture of such

Nationalization of the "big

future still

uncertain

meeting in Newcastle.

et March 31.

accounts qualified

up again

issue price of par.

Further losses in the gill edged market, and a fresh 16-year "low" for equities, represent the properties of the fall street helped oil shares, as well and Smith St Aubyn (33p) were as many other leading stocks as in value of their gilt edged holdings.

Among the hanks, Lloyds Bank at 96p lost 4p to join the list of those major companies whose shares are now below par

But property shares attracted economy moves. BLMC dipped some genuine interest—which to their previous low point of means that there were buyers as well as sellers present in the market at the same time—a rare occurrence these days. British Land managed to recover ip of recent loss to close at 9p.

Gold shares suffered another bout of profit taking following a lower bullion price fixing in London. Selling was not heavy, and there were buyers about as well. Net falls in FS Geduld (£231), and President Steyn (£171) were limited to 75p.
With the General Meeting of
CASTS shareholders due today, and the share price still helow the Selection Trust offer, shares CASTS moved up by 7p to p. Selection Trust eased to

Financial issues shared in the nurket sethack. Discount houses bargains).

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

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Latest dividends

All dividends in new pence of	эг аррго	priate cui	rrencies.			
Company	Ord	Year	Pay	Year's	Prev	
and par values)	div	ago	date	total	year	
Eambergers (25p) tnl	n.99	n.67	27 ° L	_	3.31	
J. W. Cameron (25p) Fin	3.03	2.75	3t, I	4.41	3.93	
Canpac (55) Fin	45.05	41.05	28:1	86.03	77.05	
Cen & Sbeerwood (5p) Int	1.23	1.05	21:2		2.43	
Chapman (Bihm) (50p) Int	2.06	t.83	31 t		4.27	
Come: Radiovision (5p) Fin	2. n	2.0	7.2	4.0	4.1)	
Equity Consort (£1) that	3.0	3.0	3nʻ1	-	ន.ព	
F. W. Evans (10p) Fin	0.9	0.75	26 2	1.76	1.37	
Fairey (25p) lat	1.49	t.3	12/3	_	3.4	
G. M. Firth (10p) tnr	3.n	2.83		_	7.32	
A. Guinness (25p) Fin	5.3	5.3	11, 2	7.99	7.61	
LCP Hldgs (25p) Int	1.4	1.25	31 1		4.11	
Nutts Pat Brick (50p) Fin	4.76	4.57	19.2	9.23	9.37	
Alex Russell (10p) Int	1.34	1.01	31/1		2.31	
Serck (25p) Fin	1.78	1.5	14/2	2.82	2.5	
Staveley (£1) Fin	5.96	4.28	29. 1	8.94	7.14	
Uld Brit Secs (25p) Inr	2.98	2.83	14.2	-	8.37	
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Little surprise in

and Libanon.

Mining

Gold Fields dividends

The dividend declarations from the Gold Fields of South

Africa mines are broadly in line

with market expectations with the most significent dividends probably heing mase of Kloof

Giveo the geological problems at Kloof, and the resultant drop in grade, it comes as little sur-

prise that the interim dividend

has been cut from last year's 29c interim and final of 50c to

ooly 25c this time.
At Libanon, the results for

Interim jolt to growth at LCP Holdings

abead of last year's levels and group trading profits for the last year are up from £1.26m to £1.56m. But the pre-tax is down from a record £1.36m to £1.86m charges the main difference is that this time the board has written down the book value of some development sites by £175,000, while a year ago £350,000 was made by selling on commercial property

developments. On net profits down from £804.000 to £363.000, the dividend is raised from 1.25p to 1.41p gross, although earnings a share are down from 4.3p to

Traditionally, the group enjoys a better second half but forecasting is impossible this year. The group will benefit, however, to the extent of £600,000 from the new tax relief measures on stock increases.

Directors to buy Allied brokers

In the latest of the disposals the receivers have agreed in principle for Mr G. H. Richardson and Mr P. C. Winton, the present directors of Allied Insurance Brokers, to purchese Allied and its subsidiaries. This wauld ensure the continuity of Allicd's business, the employment of its staff and its service Casino. Liverpool.

NSS Newsagents at £1.4m peak

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the September quarter were well

below forecasts, presumably due

to a large extent to delays in the receipt of gold premiums.

The other declarations are

50c (35c last December) at

Doornfontein, 35c (10c) at East

Driefontein, 40c (20c) et Venterspost, 20c (12c) at Vlakfon-

tein, and 210c (140c) at West

United Kingdom copper consumption was 57,156 tennes in October, according to the World Bureau of Metal Statistics. This brings monthly average for the year to date to 54,043 tonnes, over 7 per cent below the everage monthly consumption during 1973.

Stocks of refined copper held by consumers fell by 6.358 tonnes during October to end the mooth at 23,303 toos

UK uses less copper

Driefontein.

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At mid-term NSS Newsagents was looking for a satisfactory result for the year to September 29. In the event a record pre-tax profit of £1.41m has been achieved, against £1.2m a year ago. Turnover of this Surrey-hased company is up from £15.2m to £20.2m.

divisions at LCP Holdings are final divideod of 1.52p gross.

Lifeguard Assce

New sums assured of Lifeguard Assurance rose from filosm to almost £112m in its last period to June 30. Sir Anthony Grover, chairman, says in the report these figures were

its written down book value.
Against that the redemption value of fixed-interest quoted stocks is £26.42m, this being 54.94m over book value.

More Ladbroke casinos

Taking its cue from the "excellent" current treding at its existing casinos, the Ladbroke Group is paying a total of £555,000 (subject to adjustment) for three extra casinos. The new acquisitions are: the New De Vere Club in London; the Oxford Casino in Manchester and the Metropole

Scotfunds

The managers of Scotfunds, a subsidiary of the Save & Prosper Group is making an interim distribution of 132p per 100 units, making a year's total of 259p, against 232p for 1973.

Over the half year the fund's liquidity has been increased from 11.4 per cent to 28.4 per cent of the portfolio

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B'mouth BS merger is under attack

The expected clash between sbarebolders and directors of the Bournemouth and Christchurch Building Society, over the proposal to merge with the larger Portman Building Society did not materialize vesterday, when over 400 sbareholders squeezed ioto a room at Bourne-mouth's Carlton hotel

Because of the numbers the meeting had to be adjourned out it will he resumed within 30 days. The Press was oot allowed in J. Rowland-Jones, a 55,000 investor with the Bournemouth and Christchurch.

achieved in a difficult person for life companies and the board is satisfied the company made was against the merger.

"very sound progress" in the blocked you this time. We will stop you next time. He added the bolieved that at least two. guard fund, reflecting the believed that at least two, general fal in securities, was possibly three, of the board estimated to be £5.98m below were against the merger.

Staveley fulfil hopes with 15pc upswing

By Our Financial Steff Emerging at midway from from the board in that s the winter industrial troubles to external constraints, in much hetter trim than might confident that the com have been expected, Stavoley lodustries were confident of making up the lost ground—a fall of 9 per cent—and mora. continuing expansion in the event this bas been ful-gramme. In the past year filled with an overall 15 per cent climb for the year to September 30 to nearly £3mat £2.9m—on turnover raised 20 per cent to £57.4m. The sbare price, which had put on 2p in the preceding formight, added a further 1p to close at 41p on

Interest cherges rose only from £824,000 to £951.000 leaving the "attributable" up from £1.51m tn £1.68m. Earnings per sbare work out at 16.6p compared with 14.9p, while the total payment is hoisted from 4.28p to 5.96p.

performance will improve to 197475, with increasingly benefiting fr £5.2m was invested in capital equipment to expansion of productive ties at British Salt and Sa Lime Products.

Of the total, about represented long-term de the balance of £3.3m, han drafts. Total overdraft fa of nearly \$10m, which : £5m available until Sept 1978, cover current ove about three times. It planned that cash flow edequate to finence operations and the investment programme

Wall Street

New York, Dec 10.—00 the New York Stock Exchange today, shares moved ahead strongly, belped by technical factors and a delayed, favourable response to the cut In the Federal Reserve discount rate last Friday. At 11 am today, the Dow Jones todustrial Average was 9.78 points higher et 589.72.

9.78 points higher et 589.72.

New York, Dec 0.—COMEX SILVER railled from a 10½ per expli drop on technical covering and other boxing interest that developed fater in the day. Prices Brisshed 6.70 to 7.40 cents off. Dec. 4.20.80c. Jan. 415.30c. John 421.40c. March. 425.50c. May 431.40c. July, 438.60c. Sept. 445.20c. Oec. 454.70c. Jan. 437.10c. March. 455.70c. Handy and Harman 8408.3 precious \$120. Handy and Harman of Canada. Canada San 3.7 / previous Canada. Canada Silver Silver March. Sa. Roc. May. 60.00c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.30c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.30c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.30c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.30c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.40c. Bec. 64.20c. July, 61.26c. Sept. 64.20c. Bec. 64.20c. Bec. 64.20c. July, 61.26c. 64.20c. Ju

March, 58,65-7°C; May, 57,40-100; Jusy, 59,60-1,00; Nov. onquoted.

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"Our refinancing needs are spread prudently over the years and the great bulk of our borrowings is at rates that are modest in relation to current levels".

Kenneth Jones, F.C.A., A.C.I.S., Chairman.

The following is a summary of points amerging from the accounts for the year to 31st March. 1974, and the Cheirmen's statement. Copies of these documents are available from the Secretary. 25 Grosvanor Street, London, W1 A 4EP.

PROFITS AND DIVIDEND

The pressures of the year affected the profit and loss account in three ways. Trading profits were reduced by £1,056,000 to £304,661. The company was daprived of addhibrast rental income of £274,803 through the statutory freeza on business rents. Total interest payable rose by £1,673,000 to £8,229,602. Tha loss of £594,323 (against a profit of £443,570 for 1972-73) would, however, heve been avoided if profits of approximately £1.5 million had arisen on sales in respect of which contracts had been exchanged at the time of the profits forecast last February. In present conditions the directors have decided not to include the potantial profit on these sales until completion actually takes place. The directors consider it in the best interests of the company to maintain the status of the shares as a Trustee investment and recommand a nominal dividend of 1% (including the associated

PROPERTIES AND VALUATION

The Group's property portfolio rose from £124.7 million to £150.7 million on the year, made up as to 73% freehold and 25% leaseholds over 75 years. The board considers the valuation lor properties already let and completed as at 31st March, 1974, does not differ on the whole from the valuation at 31st March, 1973. Properties held at the year end for or in course of development are valued at the opan market value of land with the benefit of planning approvals where appropriata, together with the value of work executed to data and wherever applicable the affects of agreements entered into.

"The portfolio", says the chairman, "remains one of inherent growth although we shall continue to pursue the existing policy of selective sales of low yielding investments. Since the and of the financial year sales totalling £9 million have either bean contracted or complated and we are condnuing this policy to assist us to alleviate cash flow problems".

CAPITAL, RESERVES AND BORROWINGS

The share capital of £2.011,756 (in 20p shares) was supported at 31st March, 1974, by reservas of £34,790,428.
Thera was also £20,760,898 of 63% Convartible Unsecured Loan Stock and the Group was making use of long-term borrowings of £52,078,094 and medium-term borrowings of £27,021,058. Tha Chairman's statanent includes analysis of net borrowings according to dates repayable and variations in interest rales. presenting e picture of what Mr. Jones describes as e "balanced borrowing structure".

DEVELOPMENTS AND HOLDINGS

Financing errangements covering the bulk of capital expenditure respect of most of the Group's developments were concluded on favourable tarma befora the racent increase in interest rates. Tha Group is taking adventage of conditions in the West Indias & Canada to undertake a programmed sala of its holding athere. Over 17% of the residua of tha Group's holdings ara in Westarn Europe, and the hoard is satisfied that it will be able to make salisfactory arrangaments to complete all developments except ic the site in Lille, where development has not been commanced and where for tha time being plans have been shalved in accordance with the Group's general policy.

THE FUTURE ROLE

"Onca contemporary pressures are absorbed", says Mr. Jones. "the property industry is one in which we have full confidence. W accept, of course, that the scope for the property daveloper ecting as principal stands profoundly modified by the new lagislation imposing corporation tex on the values created by change of user and capital gains tax (payable at an interval) on the value of the development. If I may throw in the thought, the developer may finan expanded role as a risk-taking project manager for the institutions. Some such naw role must emerge because the contribution which modarn building must make to the nation's industrial and commercial future is depandent upon the talents. skills and enthusiasm which have hitherto have concentrated in the existing organisationalong associated with property

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engines comprised slightly less than half the company's business and they had to wait to see "whether the Government in-DECLARATION OF DIVIOEND NO. 115 tended to leave the group out of the plans, carve it up or take it over completely. Sir Horace added.

Erosion ' of executives' living standards

Reporting to the annual meetstrators, referred to 1974 as a year in which the professional man had been subject to beavy pressures and a decline in his living standards. Generally, the business executive to Britain was the least well-paid and most heavily taxed in Europe. The danger was that of heing ignored in the public dehate over effects

Commodities

Index falls to

Reuters commodity index fell five points yesterdey to 1,205.0 11931 equals 100)—175 lowest point this year. The decline was mainly the result of price falls in copper, in, lead, sugar, cocoa, soya beans and maize. The iodex, which is weighted on the prices of 17 commodities, has declined intermittently since it reached a record high of 1,479.7 on February 26.

It now stands 178.6 points below its leevi of a year ago and 1.7 points below its previous 1974 low reached on July 11.

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RUBBER PHYSICALS closed steady.—Pec. 158.0-29.00p.
WOOL.—Gressy futures steady.—Pec. 158.0-79.5p per kilo; March. 158.0-38.50p; Cfr.: Jan and Feb. 28.50p. Cfr.: Jan and Feb. 28.50p. Oct. 167.7-68.fip. March. 163.5-69.30p; My 169.0-71.0p. Sales: 50 lois.
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Fresh sharp falls in sugar futures

A fresh sharp fall was recorded in Londoo SUGAR prices yesterday. The daily price was cut 220 to 5480 o long ton while futures fresh the £20 limit after tunch with scattered selling and long liquidation urders meeting only light covering interest. Compared with MONIGALY close forces. Monday's close futures were £18 to £3t a ton tower while at the close seifing pools totalled 1,027

to 131 a ton lower while at the close seifing pools totalled 1,027 lols.

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Discount market

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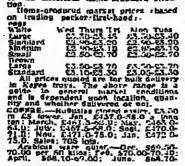
An early rate of 10 per cent was heard in the inter-hank market, but houses rarely made a move any higher than 9 per cent and some heid off to get their money a good deal cheeper even than that. By the end of the day, books were heing balanced with funds taken between } per cent and 2

The source of the unexpectedly larish flow of funds was an excess of Exchequer disbursements over Revenue transfers as tax payments came in more tardily than bad been expected.

One other feature of the day that dealers noted was a disposi-tion for money to move late longer callable fixtures in preparation for the corporation tax season coming

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Gains tax loophole for insurance money

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The taxpayer. Mr Ruberi Montgomery, was eppointed one of three trustees under the will of his father, who died in 1961. The trust property included real property in Belfast. In 1962 the trustees effected two insurance policies covering that property sgainst loss or damage by fire. In Angust, 1968, the property was extensively damaged by fire and subsequeoutly the Insurance company agreed the amnum of compensation payable under the policies at 575,192. A scheme was then effected by the trustees whereby

The taxpayer appealed to the

person paring the capital sum ..."
Mr N. C. H. Browne-Witkinson,
OC and Mr Peter Glason for the

which a gain may accrue to the person making the disposal nut subject to that neither the rights of the insurer nor the rights of the insured under the policy of insurance. . . shall constitute an asset on the disposal of which a gain may accrue ".

cies at £75,192. A scheme was then effected by the trustees whereby their rights under the two polities were assigned to Mr Geoffrey Robert Greene, the husband of one of the trustees, for a consideration of £75,192. In Norember, 1968, the insurance company paid the agreed compensation to Mr Greene. The taxpayer appealed to the commissioners against an assessment to capital gains tax for 1968-69 in the sum of £50,000. Altoving his appeal and adjusting the assessment, the commissioners noheld his argument that the £75,192 received by the trustees from Mr Greene did not fall to be taken into computation for the purposes of capital gains tax. The Crown appealed.

Section 22 [3] provides that "Subject to subsection 161 of this section, and to the exceptions in

section, and to the exceptions in this Pert of this Act, there is for the purposes of this Part of this Act a disposal of assets by their owner where any capital sum is derived from assets notwithstanding their on esset is acquired by the ing thet no esset is acquired by the

Inland Revenue Commissioners

v Montgomery

Before Mr Justice Walton

His Lordsbip held that where
die rights to receive compensanon under a policy of insurance
were assigned for a money coosideration, there was no liability
by virtue of section 22(3) of the
Froance Act, 1965, oo the person
receiving that money consideranint to pay capital gains tax on
that there has been derired from assets
held by him.

The taxpayer, Mr Rubert
Montgomery, was eppointed one of
three trustees under the will of
his father, who died in 1961. The
most property included real

The Crown accepted thet no gain accrued on the assignment of the rights but argued that for the ourpose of section Z2 (3) the sum paid to the trustees hy Mr Greene was a "capital sum" derived from "assets"—the property held by the trustees—and that there had been a disposal of such assets by the trustees with the inevitable capital gains tax consequences.

Those contentions apert, had the Crown established that the money paid to the trustees was "derived" from "assets" held by them? The rejevant dictionary meaning of "derivation" was "to trace". The capital sum in question derived on Mr Greene's side from his own personal resources; they could not he said to have derived from any assets belonging to the trustees. On the other hand, doubtless the only reason the trustees received the sum was in exchenge for the disposal of their rights under the insurance policies; which rights were derived from trystees.

It was not right, honever, to race the deriverion back in The Crown accepted thet no gain

it was not right. however, to trace the derivetion back in that way. Clearly the capital sum paid by Mr Greene was derived from the sale of the rights under the policies and it was not right to go farther back. If it were legitimate to trace the derivation of assets back in the manner of

received, for whatever reason, reserved, for whatever reason, was to be taken into account for capital gains tax purposes. That was made plain from the wording "notwithstanding that no asset is acquired by the person paying the cepital sum". The Crown was wrong in arguing that "notwithstanding" meant "whether or not"; it was used in a quite different sense. It ras conclusively shown that the draftsman of subsection (3) was thinking of capital sums which did not ettract corresponding assets.

As to paragraph 10(1) of Schedule 7 it was difficult to think that it was intaoded to produce the result that although there was an exemption from capital gains tax when rights under a coller were assigned, the person making the assignment was not nevertheless saved anything by way of tax because the consideration for the essignment was to be resprised as a capital sum derived from the underlying assets. Even if section 22(3) was capable of applying to the present case it was empressly made subject to paragraph 7.

That being so, the currentions of the taxparer were 10 hu orreferred and the anoval dismissed. It was a most inconvenient conclusion to here respected in fairly bringing him within the scope of e charging provisions.

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to be considered on an application

When winding up may be stayed

In re Calgary and Edmonton Land Co Ltd Before Mr Justice Megarry

Before Mr Justice Megarry
Circumstances in which e stay
of a voluntary liquidation of a
company may be granted were
considered by his Lordship when
he dismissed a modoo by Mr Isaac
David Hillman, a contributory and
director of Caigary end Edmonton
Land Co Ltd (in llquidation), for
an order to discharge an order of
Mr Registrar Berkeley made on
October 31, 1974, refusing to stay
the wioding up oo Mr Hillman's
summons.

Mr Hillmao io person; Miss Mary Arden for the liquidators.
HIS LORDSHIP, in a reserved judgment, said that sioce May 21, 1370, the company, a property development company with assets valued at several millions, had been in a creditors' roluntary winding up. However, it was probable that when all the assets were realized there would be enough to pay all the remaining creditors, discharge the expenses of liquidation and leave a substantial balance for the shareholders.

Of the ebont 14m issued ordi-Of the ebont 14m issued ordinary sbares, Mr Hillman owned nearly 10.000 and his wife a little under 150,000. Bank and Commercial Hoidings Ltd (B & C) beld

over 13m of the shares—93 per ceot.

On January 16, 1974. B & C Issued a summons seeking e stay of the winding up, together with certain other relief relating to the liquidator's remuneration. On July 23 the registrar dismissed it and directed that the application for other relief should stand over generally. B & C gave notice of motioo seeking to discharge the registrar's order but on Octoher 14 they abandoned the motion.

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Mr Hillman took out his own summons, seeking a stay of the winding up and further orders in relation to the liquidator's remuneration. That summons came before the registrar on November 5. He dismissed the epplication for a stay merely by reference to his decision on B & C's applicadon for a stay. Mr Hillman moved before his Lordship under his notice of motion, which simply songht that the registrar's order in his case "may be dis-

charged ", end also orders for costs. Miss Arden neither supported nor opposed the motion but drew the court's attention to relevant matters both of law end of fact.

of fact.

5ection 307 of the Companies Act, 1948, provided: "(1) The liquidator or any contributory or creditor may apply to the court to determine any question arising in the winding up of a company, or to exercise, as respects the enforcing of calls or any other metter, all or any of the powers which the court might exercise if the company were being wound up by the court. [2] The court, if satisfied that the determination of the question or the required exersatisfied that the determination of the question or the required exercise of power will be just and beneficial, may accede wholly or pertially to the application oo such terms and conditions as it thinks fit or may make such other order on the epplication as it thinks just."

just." The court, thus, could exercise its powers to stay winding up under section 256 (as extended to a voluntary winding up) if " satisfied thet the . . . required exercise of power will be just and beneficial", and might do so " on such terms and tonditions as it thinks fit", or make such other order on the application " as it thinks just".

Under section 256 liself the court "may . . . on proof to the satisfaction of the court that all court "may . . . on proof to the satisfaction of the court that all proceedings in relation to the winding up onght to be stayed" order a stay "on such terms and cooditions as the court thinks fit". Quite epart from any authority, the language seemed to make it clear that the jurisdiction was discretionary, and thet it was on those who sought a stay to make out a sufficient case for it.

The effect of section 302, on the rights of members of the company, was considerable. Before the winding up each member bad no right to be paid any sum in respect of his capital, but only the right to such dividends as the directors recommended end the company voted. Once there was a wloding up each member become, instead, emittled to an aliquot share of the company's assets after all liabilities had been discharged.

The persons whose interests bed

to be considered on an application for a stay must depend on the circumstances of each case, but where, as bere, there was e atrong probability that the company's essets would suffice to pay all the creditors and the expenses of the iquidation, and so leave a surplus for the members of the company, there were plainly three categories to consider. (1) Creditors. Their, rights were finite in that they could not claim more than 100p in the f. In normal circumstances oo objection to e stay could be mede on behalf of the creditors if for each of them it was established that either he had been paid io full or that satisfactory provision for him to be paid in full hed been or would be made, or else that he consented to the stay, or was otherwise bound not to object to it.

(2) The liquidator. (3) Members of the company. No quessioo of satisfactory provision there he is the payment of the company. of the company. No question of satisfying them by immediate payment of all that they were entitled to could arise for their rights could not be quantified until the liquidation was complete. Accordingly, in normal circumstances, no stay should be granted unless each member either consented to it, or was otherwise bound not to object to it, or else there was secured to him would have received had the wind-ing up proceeded to its conclusion. Each member had e right of a pro-

prietary nature to share io the surplus essets, and each should be protected against the destruction of that right without good cause. The essence of the registrar's decision in the B & C case, and so presumably in the present, was that in the circumstances of the case any epplication for a stay ought to have been preceded by e scheme under section 206 so that all memunder section 206 so that all mem-bers might have had an oppor-tunity of putting forward their

Mr Hillman had put forward no firm acceptable proposals for discharging the claims of the remaining creditors or the liquidator's expenses, or for giving effect to the rights of any shareholders who did not wish the winding up to be

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Proof of driving necessary

Before Lord Justice James, Lord Justice Ormrod and Mr Justice Park Before Lord Justice James, Lord Justice Ormod and Mr Justice Park

An essenhal ingredient of the offence of failing to provide a laboratory test specimen after a road accident is that the person who fails was driving or attempting to drive the vehicle when the accident occurred. If he denies that he was driving or attempting to drive the prosecution must prove that he was before he can be convicted of contravening section 9(3) of the Road Traffic Act, 1972. The rule applies also in relation to being in charge of the vehicle.

The Court of Appeal so held when giving reasons for baving allowed an appeal by John Richardson, aged 39, of Bristol, from conviction at Bristol Crown Court (recorder: Mr David Owen Thomas, QC) of failing without reasonable excuse to provide a laboratory test apecimen after being arrested under aection 8(2). He had been fined £50 and disqualified for 12 momths.

Section 8(2) provides: "If an accident occurs owing to the oresence of a motor vehicle on a road ... a constable in uniform may require any person who he has reasonable cause to believe was driving or attempting to drive the vehicle at the time of the accident to provide e specimen of breath for a breath test ..." Section 8(5) provides that the constable may arrest such a person if he fails to provide the breath specimen and the constable has reasonable cause to suspect alcohol in the person's body.

Under section 9(1) a person arrested under section 8 may be

Under section 9(1) a person arrested under section 8 may be required to provide a laboratory required to provide a laboratory test specimen after being given the opportunity to provide another breath test specimen, end section 9(3) provides: "A person who, without reasonable extrase, fails to provide e specimen for a laboratory test in pursuance of a requirement imposed under this section shall be guilty of an offence."

Mr. P. I. Power for the carel

Mr R. J. Royce for the eppellant; Mr J. Anthony Cox for the Crown. LORD JUSTICE JAMES said that a white Mercedes car collided with e perked vehicle and stopped in another street. The driver of another car who had heard the noise of the collision and followed the Mercedes saw the appellant get out of the from passenger side and walk away. He next saw the appellant in e doorway, spoke to police officers near by and identified him as the pertory wording was clear and did excuse.

On e motion to quash the in-dictment, which bed been amended to omit as particulars that the appellant bad been driv-ing or attempting to drive when the accident occurred, the recorder ruled that the question whether the eppellant was in fact driving was irrelevant to an offence under section 9(3), the issue being whether a police officer had reasonable cause to believe thet the eppellant was driving or externities to drive at that time. the eppeliant was driving or attempting to drive at that time.

The defence was that a Mr Lowther had been driving and, in order to shield him, the appellant bad remained silent when questioned by the police. Mr Lowther bad disappeared.

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The defence did not share the prosecution's view that e motorist's assertion that he was not driving (if the jury so found) could constitute a "reasonable excuse" and that issue was not left to the jury. They were clearly directed by the recorder that the question whether in fact the appellant was driving or attempting to drive was irrelevant and that the lant was driving or attempting to drive was irrelevant and that the issue for their decision was whether the police officer had reasonable cause to believe that the appellant was driving et the relevant time. On that basis conviction was almost inevitable. After it the recorder himself decided that the appellant was driving at the time of the accident, and sentenced him accordingly.

driving at the time of the accident, and sentenced him accordingly. Mr Royce's main argument on appeal was that the recorder's direction which removed from the jury the issue whether the appellant was driving at the time of the accident was wrong in lew and that, in order to prove the offence under section 9(3) when the request for the first breath test specimen was made under section 8(2), the prosecution bad to establish not only that the officer establish not only that the officer had reasonable ceuse to believe that the appellant was driving but also that he was driving at the time of the accident.

son who had got out of the Mercedes.

The appellant made no answer to the questions of one officer who asspected alcohol in his hody, told him thet he was suspected of heving been the driver of a vehicle when it was involved in an accident and of having alcohol in his body, and required him to provide a breath test specimen. The appellant did not provide the specimen, was arrested and taken to a police station, where he refused to provide specimens of breath and urine or blood.

On e motion to quash the in-His Lordship said that, io view of the ancestry of section 9(3) end the reference to the subsection in Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the 1972 Act, the sobsection and scheduled reference had to be read together. The result was that the Act provided that the offence under section 9(3) was committed only by e person who was driving or attempting to drive at the relevant time—or, in any other case, by a person who was shown to be in charge of a motor vehicle.

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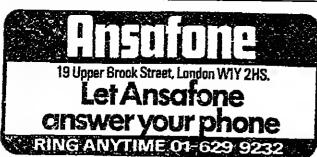
charge of a motor vehicle.

A difficulty about Mr Cox's argument that a "reasonable excuse" was provided if the person accused was not driving or attempting to drive was the decision of Lord Justice Widgery in R n Downey ([1970] RTR 257, 259) that it could not be a reasonable excuse if there was statutory justification for making the requirement, irrespective of whether or not he had in fact been driving at that time. A distinction was to be drawn

A distinction was to be drawn in the present case between (a) what had to be established in order to prove that a lawful requirement was made to provide a lahoratory test specimen and (b) what had to be proved to establish the offence of failing to provide such a specimen contrary to section 9(3). The reasonable cause to believe that the appellant was driving or extempting to drive et the time of ettempting to drive et the time of the accident was sufficient to sup-port the first regnest for a breath i specimen and, with the added reason to suspect alcohol in the body, the subsequent arrest and, if the correct procedure was followed, the final requirement of

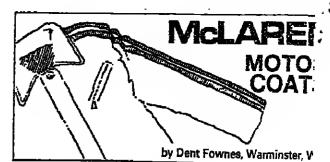
a laboratory test specimen. But, when it came to proving the offence, the Crown had to prove, if it was challenged, that the appellant was in fact driving of ettempting to drive at the time of the accident. No difficulty would be presented in the ordinary case, as evidence forming the basis of reasonable cause to believe that he was driving would, at least, give rise to the inference that be was in fact driving.

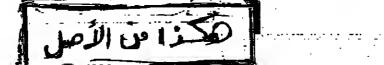
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The jury had been misdirected. It was unnecessary to deal with the ground of appeal that the iodictment was defective. In sec. ting out the particulars of an offence under section 9(3) it was unnecessary to include a recita-tion of the steps preliminary to the requirement of the speciment and the failure witbout reasonable



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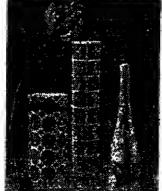
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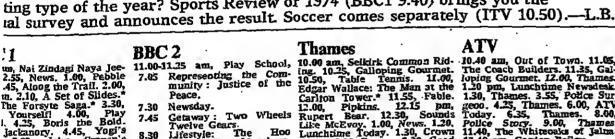
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